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Ash Wednesday	,,	7
St. Valentine's Day	,,	14
St. David's Day	March	1
St. Patrick's Day	,,	17
Good Friday	,,	22
Easter Monday (Bank Holiday)	,,	25
Summer Time Commences	April	21
St. George's Day	,,	23
Ascension Day	May	2
Royal Academy Opens	,,	6
Whit Monday (Bank Holiday)	,,	13
Empire Day	,,	24
H.M. Queen Mary's Birthday	,,	26
Derby Day	June	5

H.M. The Queen's Birthday	August	4
Bank Holiday	,,	5
Royal Academy Closes	,,	10
Grouse Shooting begins	,,	12
Partridge Shooting begins	Sept.	2
Pheasant Shooting begins	Oct.	1
Summer Time Ends	,,	6
Fox Hunting begins	Nov.	1
Armistice Day	,,	11
St. Andrew's Day	,,	30
Accession Day	Dec.	11
H.M. the King's Birthday	,,	14
Christmas Day	,,	25
Bank Holiday	,,	26

QUARTER DAYS :—March 25, June 24, Sept. 29, Dec. 25.

UNIVERSITY TERMS.

Oxford.	Begins.	Ends.
Hilary Term	Jan. 10	March 16
,, Full Term	,, 14	,, 9
Trinity Term	March 27	July 6
,, Full Term	April 21	June 15
Encaenia Wednesday, June 19		
Michaelmas Term	Oct. 1	Dec. 17
,, Full Term	,, 13	,, 7

Cambridge.	Begins.	Ends.
Lent Term	Jan. 5	March 25
,, Full Term	,, 15	,, 15
Easter Term	April 16	June 24
,, Full Term	,, 19	,, 10
Michaelmas Term	Oct. 1	Dec. 19
,, Full Term	,, 8	,, 6

University of Durham (Durham Division)

	Begins.	Ends.
Epiphany	Jan. 16	March 16
Easter	April 23	June 22
Michaelmas	Oct. 15	Dec. 14

LAW SITTINGS.

(*Supreme Court of Judicature Act*, 1875).

Hilary begins Jan. 11 ends March 20
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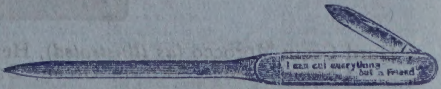
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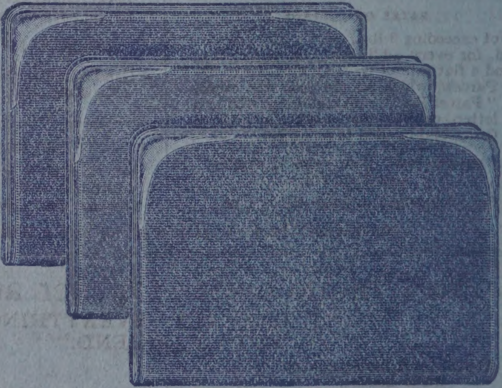

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Jan. 7	Isaiah li.	Matthew iv. 23 to v. 13	Isaiah lii. 13 and liii. or liv.	Acts iv. 1-32
,, 14	Isaiah lv.	Matthew viii. 18	Isaiah lvii. or lxi.	Acts viii. 26
,, 21	Genesis i. and ii. 1-4	Revelation xxi. 1-9	Gen. ii. 4 or Job xxxviii.	Rev. xxi. 9 to xxii. 6
,, 28	Genesis iii.	Matthew xv. 21	Genesis vi. or viii.	Acts xvii. 1-16
Feb. 4	Genesis ix. 1-20	Matthew xix. 27 to xx. 17	Genesis xii. or xiii.	Acts xxi. 1-17
,, 7	Isaiah lviii. 1-13	Mark ii. 13-23	Jonah iii.	Hebrews xii. 3-18
,, 11	Genesis xix. 12-30	Matthew xxiii. 13	Genesis xxii. 1-20 or xxiii.	Acts xxvi.
,, 18	Genesis xxvii. 1-41	Matthew xxvi. 57	Genesis xxviii. or xxxii.	Romans ii. 17
,, 25	Genesis xxxvii.	Mark ii. 1-23	Genesis xxxix. or xl.	Romans viii. 18
Mar. 3	Genesis xlii.	Mark vi. 1-14	Genesis xliii. or xlv.	Romans xii.
,, 10	Exodus iii.	Mark ix. 30	Exodus v. or vi. 1-14	1 Corinthians iii.
,, 17	Exodus ix.	Matthew xxvi.	Exodus x. or xi.	Luke xix. 28 or xx 9-21
,, 22	Genesis xxii. 1-20	John xviii.	Isaiah lii. 13 and liii.	1 Peter ii.
,, 24	Exodus xii. 1-29	Revelation i. 10-19	Exodus xii. 29 or xiv.	John xx. 11-19 or Rev. v.
,, 31	Numbers xvi. 1-36	1 Corinthians xv. 1-29	Num. xvi. 36 or xvii. 1-12	John xx. 24-30
Apl. 7	Numbers xx. 1-14	Luke viii. 26	Numbers xx. 14 to xxi. 10 or xxi. 10	2 Corinthians xi. 1-30
,, 14	Numbers xxii.	Luke xii. 1-35	Numbers xxiii. or xxiv.	Galatians iv. 21 to v. 13
,, 21	Deuteronomy iv. 1-23	Luke xvi.	Deut. iv. 23-41 or v.	Ephesians iv. 25 to v. 22
,, 28	Deuteronomy vi.	Luke xx. 1-27	Deuteronomy ix. or x.	Colossians i. 1-21
May 2	Daniel vii. 9-15	Luke xxiv. 44	2 Kings ii. 1-16	Hebrews iv.
,, 5	Deuteronomy xxx.	Luke xxiii. 1-26	Deut. xxxiv. or Joshua i.	1 Thessalonians ii.
,, 12	Deuteronomy xvi. 1-18	Romans viii. 1-18	Isaiah ii. or Ezekiel xxxvi. 25	Galatians v. 16 or Acts xviii. 24 to xix. 21
,, 19	Isaiah vi. 1-11	Revelation i. 1-9	Gen. xviii. or i. and ii. 1-4	Ephes. iv.1-17 or Matt. iii.
,, 26	Joshua iii. 7 to iv. 15	John ix. 39 to x. 22	Jos. v. 13 to vi. 21 or xxiv.	Hebrews i.
June 2	Judges iv.	John xiii. 21	Judges v. or vi. 11	Hebrews ix.
,, 9	1 Samuel ii. 1-27	John xviii. 28	1 Samuel iii. or iv. 1-19	James i.
,, 16	1 Samuel xii.	Acts i.	1 Samuel xiii. or Ruth i.	1 Peter i. 22 to ii. 11
,, 23	1 Samuel xv. 1-24	Acts vi.	1 Samuel xvi. or xvii.	2 Peter iii.
,, 30	2 Samuel i.	Acts ix. 1-23	2 Samuel xii. 1-24 or xviii.	1 John iii. 16 to iv. 7
July 7	1 Chronicles xxi.	Acts xiii. 26	1 Chronicles xxii. or xxviii. 1-21	Matthew ii.
,, 14	1 Chronicles xxix. 9-29	Acts xviii. 1-24	2 Chron. i. or 1 Kings iii.	Matthew vi. 19 to vii. 7
,, 21	1 Kings x. 1-25	Acts xxi. 37 to xxii. 23	1 Kings xi. 1-15 or xi. 26	Matthew x. 24
,, 28	1 Kings xii.	Acts xxvii.	1 Kings xiii. or xvii.	Matthew xiv. 13
Aug. 4	1 Kings xviii.	Romans iv.	1 Kings xix. or xxi.	Matthew xviii. 21 to xix 3
,, 11	1 Kings xxii. 1-41	Romans ix. 19	2 Kings ii. 1-16 or iv. 8-38	Matthew xxii. 15-41
,, 18	2 Kings v.	Romans xv. 8	2 Kings vi. 1-24 or vii.	Matthew xxvi. 1-31
,, 25	2 Kings ix.	1 Corinthians vi.	2 Kings x. 1-32 or xiii.	Mark i. 1-21
Sept. 1	2 Kings xviii.	1 Corinthians xi. 17	2 Kings xix. or xxiii. 1-31	Mark v. 21
,, 8	2 Chronicles xxxvi.	1 Corinthians xvi.	Neh. i. and ii. 1-9 or viii.	Mark ix. 2-30
,, 15	Jeremiah v.	2 Corinthians vii. 2	Jeremiah xxii. or xxxv.	Mark xii. 35 to xiii. 14
,, 22	Jeremiah xxxvi.	Galatians i.	Ezekiel ii. or xiii. 1-17	Luke i. 1-26
,, 29	Ezekiel xiv.	Acts xii. 5-18	Ezekiel xviii. or xxiv. 15	Revelation xiv. 14
Oct. 6	Ezekiel xxxiv.	Ephesians vi. 10	Ezekiel xxxvii. or Daniel i.	Luke vii. 24
,, 13	Daniel iii.	Colossians ii. 8	Daniel iv. or v.	Luke xi. 29
,, 20	Daniel vi.	1 Thessalonians v.	Daniel vii. 9 or xii.	Luke xiv. 25 to xv. 11
,, 27	Hosea xiv.	1 Timothy iv.	Joel ii. 21 or iii. 9	Luke xix. 11-28
Nov. 3	Amos iii.	2 Timothy iv.	Amos v. or ix.	Luke xxii. 31-54
,, 10	Micah iv. and v. 1-8	Hebrews iii. 7 to iv. 14	Micah vi. or vii.	John i. 29
,, 17	Habakkuk ii.	Hebrews x. 19	Habakkuk iii. or Zeph. iii.	John v. 24
,, 24	Ecclesiastes xi. and xii.	James iii.	Haggai ii. 1-10 or Malachi iii. and iv.	John viii. 31
Dec. 1	Isaiah i.	1 Peter iii. 8 to iv. 7	Isaiah ii. or iv. 2	John xi. 47 to xii. 20
,, 8	Isaiah v.	1 John ii. 1-15	Isaiah xi. 1-11 or xxiv.	John xvi. 16
,, 15	Isaiah xxv	3 John	Isaiah xxvi. or xxviii. 5-19	John xx. 19
,, 22	Isaiah xxx. 1-27	Revelation viii.	Isaiah xxxii. or xxxiii. 2-23	Revelation x.
,, 25	Isaiah ix. 1-8	Luke ii. 1-15	Isaiah vii. 10-17	Titus iii. 4-9
,, 29	Isaiah xxxv.	Revelation xix. 1-11	Isaiah xxxviii. or xl.	Revelation xix. 11

JANUARY. 1940. FEBRUARY.

JANUARY.

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Phases of the Moon.

Last Quarter Jan. 2
New Moon „ 9
First Quarter „ 17
Full Moon Jan. 24
Last Quarter „ 31

FEBRUARY.

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Phases of the Moon.

New Moon Feb. 8
First Quarter „ 16
Full Moon Feb. 23

MARCH. 1940. APRIL.

MARCH.

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31 Su

Phases of the Moon.

Last Quarter Mar. 1
New Moon „ 9
First Quarter „ 17
Full Moon Mar. 23
Last Quarter „ 30

APRIL.

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25 Th
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Phases of the Moon.

New Moon April 7
First Quarter „ 15
Full Moon April 22
Last Quarter „ 29

MAY. 1940 JUNE.

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27 Th
28 F
29 S

30 Su

Phases of the Moon.

New Moon May 7 Full Moon May 21
First Quarter " 14 Last Quarter " 29

Phases of the Moon.

New Moon June 6 Full Moon June 19
First Quarter " 13 Last Quarter " 27

JULY. 1940. AUGUST.

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Phases of the Moon.

New Moon July 5 Full Moon July 19
First Quarter ,, 12 Last Quarter ,, 27

Phases of the Moon.

New Moon Aug. 3 Full Moon Aug. 17
First Quarter ,, 10 Last Quarter ,, 26

SEPTEMBER. 1940. OCTOBER.

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Phases of the Moon.

New Moon Sept. 2 Full Moon Sept. 16
First Quarter ,, 8 Last Quarter ,, 24

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23 W
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Phases of the Moon.

New Moon Oct. 1 Last Quarter Oct. 24
First Quarter ,, 8 **New Moon** ,, 30
Full **Moon** ,, 16

NOVEMBER. 1940. DECEMBER.

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Phases of the Moon.

First Quarter Nov. 6 Last Quarter Nov. 22
Full Moon „ 15 New Moon „ 29

Phases of the Moon.

First Quarter Dec. 6 Last Quarter Dec. 22
Full Moon „ 14 New Moon „ 28

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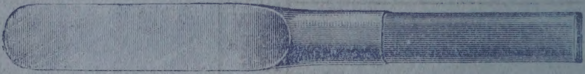

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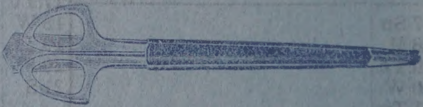

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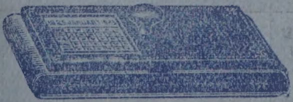

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Sunshiny. Frost and mist-

Brief sun Monday, January 1 at noon.

Mr Cooler died of a stroke in the night. Said that he had [DOG TAX DUE] just had to give up his before strength departed and ill health "after sixty years of hard work." Always a good friend in the village. Gout painful in night but in the morning it proved to be nearly well. James Pope Hennessy left by 8.34 train. Like Ben & Laurence hates having to be soldier. Sat reading fire in C.'s room w. A. in bed also then dozed till lunch. Feel curiously doped. Cold stays same. Jasper called up for [illegible] but I couldn't speak to him. After lunch. C. tried to sleep but was awakened by Nannie playing accompaniment for A. to learn some songs. A. called up Jasper says E. Nixon on again. Slept deeply. Woken up by tea. Dr Vernon called and remarked [illegible] mixture. He saw C. about Seles. Told C. about Roman Empire. This is really well outline of History. Read Matron & talked to C. about it tho' doing. Worked on Times x-word before & after dinner. Also Spectator & New Statesman

Bright sunrise

Tuesday, January 2

Lovely Bright effect for N. window
Blew up fire in G's Room from a spark
left in ashes over night. G feeling better
My infection is still in progression.
Biscuits & sweets for Elsie &
Freddie. A. in bed after 11 o'c and had
not been to club. Must tackle
her on subject of constipation!
I inhaled Friars Balsam as usual
though it only eases does not cure.
Worked on + word after reading Times
Lovely day. G. got up and I
moved into her room for lunch.
A brought up Auden + Isherwood's
Ascent of F.6. which I read with
interest though I suppose the young
authors have the taint. Worked
on + word. Lay up in my
room. A. took Sheldon in to
Arundel and got [illegible] 4/10
from dentist after doing third letter.
Arranged her to make a [illegible] of him
at [illegible] as [illegible] expenses, + worked
good. Auden [illegible] till dinner. A. had
dinner in bed. Gave her 2 [illegible]
W. McMiller about U.S. claim re
income tax on All Quiet. Finally
finished + word though think 2
solutions are wrong. D. Venables
[illegible] edition came soon after lunch

Snowing; still cold
Rather thin sun all day.

Wednesday, January 3

S. up and down stairs after breakfast. C. stays in bed longer but feels that the poison is out of her system. I had a bath and then after breakfast sat in C's room by fire reading Auden's Ascent of F. 6. Entertaining / Clever but not responsible. C. & I had argument and quarrel over Barty whom apparently she would accept as E's husband. I said [illegible] first responsibility for not liking him is mine whereas she says at other times that he is more [illegible] to her than any other man in the world. She left in a huff. D. [illegible] called. I still have [illegible] which occasionally allows [illegible] for sitting up: [illegible] for tea there and then back to my own bed. Worked [illegible] + [illegible] and did not have usual nap. Back to C's room, tea and fell asleep over + [illegible]. Letter fr E[illegible] staying w. Rob Hudson who is depressed about situation. Dinner + bed. Read Auden's poems clever but seem vaguely homosexual and not sympathetic. A. telephoning & asking [illegible] to Petworth dance.

Sunflowers. Thaw, but little sun.

Thursday, January 4

Started cross word puzzle and kept it up most of day finishing at 5.30. A came into my room and we [illegible] pictures [illegible] of seeing [illegible] get 2nd Empire [illegible]. Luke Smith telephoned that he will come for [illegible] dance. Mounting C S room. Nannie washed A's hair, adding [illegible] in [illegible] Feeling perhaps a trifle better and enjoyed lunch. A worked with me on cross word puzzle. After lunch turned back to my room before G. to rest but was disturbed by telephoning to office. Found that they were not advertising War Soldier so A and I drew up copy and telephoned it to Sidele. Also tel. to Ellery about [illegible] [illegible] which [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Tallith. [illegible] has many letters about [illegible] concluding [illegible] [illegible] construction party has [illegible] [illegible] Tea [illegible] [illegible]. Nags [illegible] finished and [illegible] came up to see me. Then [illegible] A. [illegible] love with Simon; Started Jane Austen's Persuasion [illegible] Simon to dinner with [illegible]

[illegible] — Warmer

Friday, January 5

Snow melting. Pale sun. Feel better in morning. Tel. fr. Linda wh. [illegible] trunk, & Mr Cook has to telegraph [illegible]. Baroness Blixen wanted to go to Helsinki for London paper. Suggested Liddell Hart, W. Lloyd [illegible] [illegible] one day [illegible]. Moved into C's room. Lovely day. W. Mr Cook [illegible], W Jasper [illegible] Edie Paul and Otto Strasser. Settled down and read Persuasion till lunch [illegible] [illegible] — [illegible] human. [illegible] came in to report a [illegible] Papers tell of incredibly Finnish [illegible], and [illegible] [illegible] 7 other countries to [illegible] help. [illegible] Christmas cards to be [illegible] to hospital. Went back to my room so that C could rest in bed. Good sleep for nearly 2 hours. Then came back to C's room. Call from Dr [illegible] who says [illegible] [illegible] I must be [illegible] patient. Tea and then C came up to see me. She had just heard fr. C. that [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible]. Children singing downstairs [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] and I heard him talking [illegible] to C. about the [illegible]. Read "Persuasion" before and after dinner — delightful. Feel much better than last night. Started to get ready for bed at 9.45

Chill Misty Depressing Unhealthy

Saturday, January 6 & winter day

- good night but somehow feeling
these mists, like alternating [Epiphany.]
in alarm. A. off to Brighton to
spend day w. Simon and to bring
Luke home. May be [illegible] coming to
fetch Ali & gave A. a lift to Storrington.
I moved into warmth of Q's room
but not before my hands had got
very cold sitting in my room.
Talk Q. about [illegible] & this
Zuleika which I regard as lengthening
[illegible] of reaction and the grip of the
old gods in the country. Split mind-
of [illegible] finishing. I am [illegible]-
[illegible] & [illegible] and un-
certain, but showed sensible and ex-
[illegible] [illegible] with comradely
charm and generosity. [illegible]
[illegible] engaged luncheon of fresh stew
and apple dumpling. C. rested in A's
room. I drew curtains & slept
deeply there. Felt ill and weak when
I woke up. Changed to day the 80 and
had tea. A telephoned that she had had
a good time at Brighton w. Luke,
Simon and Sue Yorke. Will phone at
Storrington and left him at 10.30 o'c.
[illegible] going to Storrington to fetch her.
Talked to C. about Persuasion
and about attitudes of government to
the war. Not [illegible] of [illegible].
Worked on Times of wood but
couldn't really get started. A.
prostrated – went straight to bed.

Sunday, January 7

[1st Sunday after Epiphany]

Amberley. Misty chilly day all around — gone

Slept well had a bath did a few bath exercises. Then after breakfast dozed all morning first in my room then in C's. Young people went for long walk 12.15. Celia + Robin Debnam to lunch because they were left out of Christening party at Pulborough as their mother from having a young baby or the expense could not come. A. telephoned also. 7 Wars & Soldiers came out all right in Sunday Times. Pheasant for luncheon. Went into my room to rest and C came up to lie and we both slept about 1½ hours. A. + L. to tea with Simon and bicycled there & back. A. saw rev. 7 W. & S. in Observer by Basil de Selincourt. Dozed till dinner. What I have slept today! After dinner looked at old vols of Punch 1917-19. Nannie has caught the cold

A. Hawkesbury lovely morning

Monday, January 8

Nanny slept all day. A. & Luke sat about all morning and I heard their voices talking; G. came up now and then; I think they all went out for a bit before luncheon; C. separately. I read weeklies, Time & Tide, and New Statesman, and Times & Daily Mirror. C.'s next protest in Mirror against dismissal of Hore Belisha. After luncheon I dozed and slept a long time until the blackout. But B. couldn't sleep for the young peoples voices talking confidentially in the other room. After tea moved into R.'s room and [illegible] over [illegible] & word puzzle most of the time till I [illegible] for the night. [illegible] after packed to dinner and off to party at Petworth. G. came home first brought by Evelyn. Said no one [illegible] anyone outside our parties

Bright gleams of sun between the greyness

Tuesday, January 9

Cold certainly nearly gone but prison routine and no consciousness of health. G. came in soon after breakfast when I had moved into her room and told me cable came last night that Freddie had died suddenly Jan. 7th. I knew he had heart trouble but great shock and what are you to do? G. sat with me, both stunned. A. came in just after lunch as she was leaving w. Luke to go home and children to go to dinner in Arundel. She cried on my shoulder, though she never saw him. Asked G. to put his photograph on table in middle of room. Nannie upset about it tho' looking very ill. G. slept in A's room & I slept in hers until the black-out. A. came back fr. Arundel with Mark, Bob and Carter's. Dr Venables called when I was having tea. Says I may get up for a bit tomorrow. W. telegrams fr. Jimmie and [illegible]. After dinner w. Mrs Cook re the cable to Arthur Mann.

Amberley Cold & Clear

Wednesday, January 10

Catarrh nearly gone but do not
feel much better. Poor A. took
telephoned telegram of sympathy from
M.-in-law, and 1 from Catherine
and Elsie in Amherst "all together"
Freddie's funeral to be this morning
at Grace Church Amherst and
burial at Hadley. It made A. cry.
She and Mark spent day at
Seaford to see Luke. I worked
on Royal Newmarket illustration
until Sidney and Peter at 12.
Got up and walked about place
in cold sunshine through the
new gate and to see snow on
the dell banks. Back to cottage
and walked in garden w. C. who
came back fr. walk w. D. m.
After lunch did up parcel for
Sidney and Peter [illegible] ship. C.
slept & then went for walk in
sunset and met Esther Moore and
Gilbert. Got tea together in her room
and talked of others in Hadley.
After dinner worked on Sporting
list for S. A. T. w. Elsie.

Very cold bright day.

Thursday, January 11

C. up early and off to London by the 9.40. Before she went we gave Ab. 7.10.0 each towards a painting of herself by Lavery & Cowing. She & Mack left for London soon after 11 o'c. I got up and walked about place and round the village and back by the croft. Lunched by a nice fire in the sitting room. Then talked to Charley about work on place. Then started x word puzzle while waiting for electricals, Howard Nicholls man who came after 3. Went over work to be done. Then went to bed and rested 4-5. Tea in bed then came down to sitting room and completed x word puzzle before dinner. Warns of going to Felsdale. After dinner read O. Hylin's Bramwell. Barker papers and wrote her a long letter.

Very cold & bright

Friday, January 12

Fire bed of coals in C's room so put on wood and had breakfast and read paper in bed there. Some difficulty with water fixed by Ernest & Charles wrapping pumps. Dressed and downstairs. Tel! fr. C. returning for late lunch. Walked down w. Dom to top of downs. Met D. Venables at foot - Tayler, an idea that she has swallowed a pin & this has high fever again. Luncheon w. C. [illegible] Jasper tel. to know if we want to keep Miss Dora Pyke as she has chance of new job. I said yes. Tea. Sat w.

[illegible] Mark [illegible]

Snow at 7 o'c.

This evening [illegible]

Saturday, January 13

Built up G's fire from a few sparks and had breakfast in bed in her room. A. came to see me about skating and I advised her & Mark to go ahead but to be careful & avoid danger. I warned both and then Mark would give up my skates. Before I could get dressed & down one of the little evacuee girls brought message that A. was hurt and wanted me. I hurried down to ice. No A. but Mark who said she had fallen in and had been taken home by Sawyer and Nannie. I found her having whiskey and a hot bath. G. too had missed her but met Esther & Gilbert Morris and they came to lunch. In the meantime I got in a little skating. After lunch A. went to Stoneyfield with M. & Mabel to see how Alice was. I wrote her a letter in the cottage & A. & Mark went home after tea while G. & I had sitting room in peace. Did writing. Dressed for dinner. Listened to wireless talked & read [illegible] very cold & clear

Sunday, January 14

2nd Sunday after Epiphany.

Up early and dressed
to breakfast & C. & I to
church. A. & M. skating.
worked on papers etc. The
vicar let church out early
because of cold & C. & I went
down on the ice and skated
excellent ice. Met Morris &
asked him to tea. After lunch
talked to A. & M. C. rested
and then she & I walked down
to ice where A. & M. were
skating. Don fell into a filthy
ditch & I scrubbed him dry.
Morris to tea & Christopher
Emmet & a boy named Percy –
friend of Gilbert's came too. Tea
in hall. Showed Geoffrey & [illegible]
my boat. Hymns. The P.C.s &
Hannah Andrews & Mary Weather

Got word from Miss Bygrave – After dinner talked

young people
sat-up & [illegible] – till after 10 o'c

Amberley, still cold but misty

Monday, January 15

Breakfast 9.30. Papers threaten Invasion of Holland and Belgium. Packed suitcase for E. to day. Got out M. W. Land Assurance Policies which she want me to look into. Tel. after saying I would get there before 3 and asked about car before. Goodbye to Mark who is leaving the P.M. and A. who will come to London on Wednesday for permanent [illegible] needs. Met Clare Elwes at station w. Percy — Montague Nina's step-son. Long wait at 3 Bridges and an other change at E. Croydon & then stopped every station. Got chilled. V. church 1.55. E. & I lunched Overtons. Then home unpacked but felt too exhausted to go to office. Sat in chair in School-table & went to sleep. E. out shopping. Tea and E. returned soon after. Read E. Standard. Looks serious for Holland & Belgium [illegible]. Eleanor came & I went to bed in our room to get out of way. Liberty's [illegible] mantles for [illegible]. Hot bath & dressed. Dinner in School room w. E & E. talked about war. Back to bed 10 o'c.

London. Not so cold turning to snow

Tuesday, January 16

Felt very tired. Up 8.30 Breakfast with G. in schoolroom. Met Mark Bertram Carter in tube. Office 11 o'c. Letter from [illegible] no book this Spring. Went through letters and dictated a few. Lunch Garrick. Spoke to Roderick Jones about his adv. in Times Printing Supplement. Call for Newt & talked about Henderson book. Dictated & signed letters. Busy talk S.A. depression & prospects. Home early. Arthur was [illegible] Bath & ex. [illegible] [illegible] Calvin operation went pretty [illegible] feared & cancer of neck glands & nodes [illegible] Walter Butler comes in after. Talk about S.A. & war

Still cold & bright

Wednesday, January 17

Got up rather early. Breakfast together in schoolroom. Read papers. Chamberlain refuses explanation of Belisha dismissal in his usual pig headed way. How long will the country tolerate his insolent manner. G. & I in 17 bus, she got off at [illegible] Marble Arch to get permanent wave. A. coming up today also for permanent waves. Office. Call from Cory. Say Russia needs Finland for defence & this was one cause of friction in Imperial days. Talk S.H. about William & Nazareth. Lunch Garrick. Bought cold cream & bananas. Back to office 2.50. Dictated. Signed letters. Talk S.A.T. re W. & N. Home. Tube. Patching trousers etc. [illegible] A. & C. in schoolroom. Bury asleep & [illegible]. A came home with headache – permanent wave cost 4.10. Looks very smart

Dinner A. & C. schoolroom. Finished Bryan [illegible]

[illegible] Rather weak over a cold
[illegible]

Thursday, January 18

[illegible]

Always seem to wake at 6 o'C. Breakfast A. & C. school room. Office 10.30 Dictated including letters to Insurance Companies for M. in law, Talk S.A.T. re W. & N. Call fr. C. and lunch together Etait, she has been seeing E. who says that her Canadian friend Wm. J. doesn't like the English with their caste system and is discouraged about the War, not surprising if one can't win. Good bye to J.C. [illegible] to Amherst 5 o'c. To Hatfields and saw Children there. Must have been [illegible]. Office. More talk SAT re War N. Signed letters. Talk Landau who had called to see S.A.T. (offered him war Soldier for Columbia films with whom he is negotiating). Saw A. in her [illegible] then

Cont. Off to dinner & dance etc. Tony dec.

Not quite so cold

Friday, January 19

Up later. Breakfast w. A. Pinkie came to see her at 10 o'c. before I left. Office 10.40 Dictated Miss C. to Brown Blixen about French book. Also War Speeches for translation Quick & Allen ab. Call fr. Guy Hay about Sir Daniel Hall's Tillage book in America. Talk Muller about Brazil etc. Lunch at Garrick Hussey. Dictated Miss Don Byrne Signed letters. To Victoria and met [illegible]. We went to Amberley together by the 5.4 train. Felt rather ill and tried to sleep and keep warm. Carriage lit and volunteers guard looking after lights and opening doors (at every station) to ask if we were going to Littlehampton. Very cold at Amberley. Talk C. Brief bath. I felt better after dinner. Did + read w. A. Bed midnight

Awfully cold & clear.

Saturday, January 20

Sargent thinks cricket night 7 guns. Breakfast 9.30. Confusion who should give instructions — breakfast — H. or Miss Byggins. Finally Nannie did. Started to write cheques. Then at 11.30 H. and I went to skate in Wellfrontes. Swept a circle with a young man. Q. came down and took 4 photographs. Moses turned up with this great Dane but did not skate. Back to house for lunch. Found I had lost my glasses and went down to ice to hunt for them. A nice little boy had picked them up and I gave him 6d. Home and slept in chair by fire, A. reading beside me. Q. resting upstairs. Finished cheques and N. M. [illegible] law about Fashions. Bath & dressed. Early listened to Churchill on wireless and did not want [illegible] A.

Tel: for Chalmers re horticultural expert about orchard

Another cold bright day

Sunday, January 21

[Septuagesima.

Struggled in vain w. yesterday's + weekly puzzle. Talked Charley about work on place + got him to move Marble Figure fr. dining room back to North room. C. A. + I to [illegible] an plain and instead on frozen front hoping it would do me good. My chest sure sore with cold after my influenza. Sat by fire in sitting room after luncheon. Worked away on + word in vain. Then slept [illegible]. Shawl wrapped round me by fire. A. reading on other side. C. came down for tea and H. went where there was Children. Still worked on + word. A. + I sorted wines in closet in dining room and got out claret for dinner. Children sang hymns in hall. Bath + built up C.'s fire. After dinner suddenly got + word — dewlapped, riddle. Spelling W. Chequer for C! How pleased. Bed Chapter 12.

Amersley May snowed a little in cold.

Monday, January 22

Up. 7.30 Breakfast-ed. Nannie and A. Jessop say Miss Byfrence says ~~that~~ all the children want to leave. Mr. Matthews Taber & Keith Miller Jones on Amersley platform. Changed at [illegible] and got to V. at 10.30 leaving Amersley at 9.40. Office 10.50. Went through letters. Call from Danaford & [illegible] with a girl. Dictated. Lunch Garrick. [illegible] L. Iveagh launched violent attack on [illegible] Belloc. Offices J. Rutley asked to leave for holiday end of this week. Call from Mr [illegible]. Long call from Arthur [illegible]. 2 parts this [illegible] about to [illegible] [illegible] Home. Got cold-[illegible]-ill at Martlands. Read papers and sat by fire. [illegible] Beaten through starting breakfast. Cooked dinner. Read [illegible] book from Mr. Went. N.C.

[illegible] not worth battle

Tuesday, January 23

Tooth seems better.
Woke up soon after 6 as I regularly do now. Office 10.10. Dictated Mrs Offatt Talk S.A.T. + Radley about Radley's pay which arrears. Will make it up to £3.0.0 for Honan this. Lunch Carmelite. Cyril Roberts - anti-American Carake. Office signed letters felt unwell. Stayed at office till 5. Others seem to go at 4.30. Home tube. Rested by fire in sitting room. C. [illegible] 7 o'c having called on Marion who seems snugly established in a flat in St Emmanuel Gardens. Bath dressed + dinner C. & I enjoyed talking and hearing news. Then I opened letter from her mother she had brought from Amberley. She takes it upon herself to tell me that Freddie committed suicide.

Cold grim day.

Wednesday, January 24

Up early. Office 9.00

Dictated Miss Spotts + Miss Dunne Byrne and Miss Raffey. Felt really ill. Club luncheon. Talk about anti-American feeling to Comdr. Adams and about Italy and war. To Beals and Inman to exchange grey socks. [illegible] a green one but could never find any that I liked so well. To dentist Mr Townshend. He pulled out my tooth and talked about politics etc. If America or Allies would send a couple of destroyers to Murmansk they could occupy Russia's Northern front and shorten German lines by half. He is to get married and dinner at Pinker's. Have felt very ill probably [illegible] [illegible]. C. Chas. [illegible] I dined by fire and after light dinner [illegible] went on with

Thursday, January 25

Weather a little brighter and milder. Slept in the room and somewhat better. Up 7.8. C. Office 10.10. Dictated Miss Roffey and Miss Clark. Letter to Ben re his [illegible] Lansdowne [illegible]. Think I feel a little less ill, but must go home early again. Lunch at Garrick, then [illegible]; office all p.m. Saw [illegible] and [illegible]. Commander stationed Falmouth. Dictated Miss Dunlop, signed letters. Home. C. there already after having dinner with Dorothy and Antoinette. Rested. Bath & [illegible] ex. C. at dinner; felt decidedly less ill. Worked on [illegible] accounts and read [illegible] article in Nineteenth Century. C. & I to bed about midnight

Thaw and rain.

Friday, January 26

Office 10.10. Dealt with papers etc. Dictated Miss Raffy. Mrs Cook. Long ~~talk~~ Mr Miller and about Bruce Lockhart proposal for social arrangement. Letter from Brian [illegible] Booth's office that he went down in H.M.S. Exmouth, officers killed and no kind [illegible] together at Bourse and that got her ear-ring that [illegible] been rippled at good. Cod-liver-oil & anti-flu at chemists. Mrs Cook & Mrs Raffy leaving early because of serious illness of a brother. Typed letters. Geoffrey D. Jasper who is [illegible] [illegible] Holland before going to [illegible]. Home in afternoon. Picked up [illegible] on [illegible] & got just caught 5.4 to Amberley. Crowded light in train. Found letter from Katharine. Freddie in pain [illegible] went for 2 months. Motored to Headley Grange. I did and

After dinner read papers

shot at his dog and himself.

Amberley xxiii

Saturday, January 27

Sargent off on holiday.
Slept fairly well. Poor Nannie
wanted to spare us trouble and
anxiety. Must count ducks in
details or try to pay n't to her
relatives. C. & I sat in sitting
room keeping up fire. Read papers
w. Cheyfus / arranged papers in
M-in-Chaises bureau. W. list of
Amberley Reeves and next order
of it with Charley. Brief walk
down to see old willow which
had partly blown down and fallen
into Evelyn's field. Luncheon
G. and Nannie. It has been damp
and raining all day. I sat in chair
by the fire in the sitting room
asleep and half asleep all the
afternoon. Nannie from Castle
Square to see our Nannie and
they talked in the hall. C. helped
ups stairs. Tea C. H. Read David
Haige Thomas's Polar Bear story.
Bath ex. Mulled claret again
for dinner. Evening + word puzzle
Bed late. Not feeling well

Rain turned to ice on trees and roads.

Sunday, January 28

[Sexagesima]

Roads impassable. No train running. Pp. and L. C. to church. I sat by fire and tried to answer Catharine's letter. Only short service because of cold. Out to stable, barns and apple room to [illegible] fluid etc. After luncheon worked on + moved for a time. Then had a nap (as usual) in chair. Felt ill as I do every afternoon. Children playing at ~~[illegible]~~ school; their play in hall. Then C. came down and sat near me for a time before singing hymns with children. I finished letter to Catharine but cried and may not send it. Read Sunday papers which arrived only late in the afternoon. I Bath. dined. After dinner weekly music.

ice and sleet.

Monday, January 29

Telephoned to station — no train — running yet. George came w. taxi for 9.18 but tel. station and assured no hope of getting to London so sent taxi away. We were all packed and ready in town clothes. Tried to telephone to Alfreda at Walton-on-Thames but wires down and junction out of order. Read letter fr. Jimmie that came this morning giving all details of Freddie's death. I read it while C. was changing into country clothes, and finished it in bath room to be alone. J. had an autopsy post mortem and found Freddie's lung, just as he had expected. Fed starving birds out of sitting room window. W. another end to my letter about Freddie to Catherine, and then wrote her a second letter about general news. Weather settled into a snow storm after lunch. Watched & fed birds. Rested by fire. Then after tea, W. to Mercedes. Tel. Alfreda who came

[illegible]

Thick snow fresh on ground and dull yellowish skies heavy with more

Tuesday, January 30

Amberley. Cold. Slept with silk handkerchief round my forehead because of the cold air. Up 7.30. Tel. to station. They have been digging out the line all night and running trains with steam engines [illegible] together. Planned to take a train at about 10. Breakfast before C. got up. Telephone fr. station train coming through earlier. Decided we could not get there in time so changed to one supposed to go about 11.45. Letter of eight pages fr. aunt Mary [illegible] w. [illegible] telling the details of Freddie's death. To station before 11. Found Mr. and Mrs. Cooper Betty Mathias & a young man of hers. Waited 3/4 hour. Unheated train to Victoria took over 3 hours. Sandwiches and chocolate. Terribly cold. Home found A. & Tickie. To bed [illegible]. hot water bottle. Up for tea w. C. A. out first [illegible]. Alone [illegible]. Talk C. & A. (3 etc.). 2 [illegible] in School [illegible]. C. A and A [illegible] Naomi. Talk with A

London Thaw + gloom

Wednesday, January 31

Office 10.10. Felt ill after yesterday's exposure. Dictated Miss Cook, Miss [illegible] Miss Donn [illegible]. Talk Sidney / SHT. Call fr. Cory [illegible] [illegible] Cassell, Tattersall. To Addison Road. Back to office stopped at [illegible]. Felt worse. Signed letters and attended to this and that. Went home before 5 o'c. taking a piece of cheese for C.o. supper. Went to bed and slept and decided not to get up for supper. In the end Tom [illegible] couldn't come and C. + A. and Mona made up party. Mona left early to keep an appointment at BBC House where she is helping about some educational work in neutral Countries. Has an idea for letters to Italy taking the line that Italy under Fascism is too honourable to go back on ally as she did in last war. Hint that Germany by allying herself w. Russia has gone back on the A.C. C. + the A. came up to see me

Thursday, February 1

Weather still cold and damp. Decided to stay at home and report on Fallada from Carter. Had breakfast at 10 o'c. and soon after C. and A. went out and I settled down to transfer corrections and prepare final copy. Margaret brought me a glass of hot milk at 12 o'c. Finished work at 1.45 and took it to office, stopping to have luncheon at Childs Restaurant. Handed Fallada over to Sidney for printer. Checked his copy for 2 ads. in [illegible] [illegible] Times and 3 [illegible] in News Chronicle. Call from Crowhurst, for Insurance Co. about accounts. Signed letters and got off about 5 o'c. Met John [illegible] in Tube. His eyes are too bad for regular soldiering. May do interpreting or something. Home to bed. Got up for dinner downstairs in [illegible] with C. A. but [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Home, about 12.30. [illegible] [illegible].

papers looked at Dennis' material for [illegible] book

[illegible]

Friday February 2

A little snow in night; but weather lifting a bit. Up late and breakfast in school room at 9.45. Talk c. Sh. had luncheon yesterday at Mrs [illegible]. Col. Cazalet and Mannie Ingram. C.C. & Tim [illegible] Days [illegible] by Barrington Ward & Kennedy. Say that Chamberlain would compromise & had no [illegible] any deal he could and has no desire to preserve it. French spirit much better than English. Mussolini hates eternally the British Empire. W. decided that on account of my state of health Sh. and I had better stay in London. Tel. to S. Ray & found train [illegible] so A. & Nannie [illegible] go back to Amberley at 5.4. A. afraid of [illegible] as she has spent [illegible] up! Going to see D & Blunden. I worked on Royal Newmarket. As the matter is so ill Bennett brought me cheque to sign & we went back together. Saw [illegible] [illegible] to Lunch. Lunch [illegible] (Round Table) McNeil who is going to work in aeroplane factory in Wales. Signed letters. Home. A. (who has not after all got impetigo) & Nannie have gone

Less cold but not actual thaw

Saturday, February 3

Damp heavy day. Stayed in [illegible]. G. developed exposure of journey to [illegible] [illegible] late. Breakfast first in school room. Read papers and started work on Diamonds to Drama. G. went out shopping at 12, and I went to Jay. Smith & Rhind Tutt and Phil came back and worked on Drama till 6. Came home. Then we went to luncheon at Jardin de Gourmets in Greek St. Home in bus after waiting in long show in [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible]. G. [illegible]. I copied out [illegible] letter to Aunt Mary Jennings in reply to her letter of sympathy about Freddie. G. came up at 5 and we had tea in the [illegible]. Gave G. letter to read and talked about Freddie. To bed and slept a little. Bath & breakfast. Dinner in school room which was hot at the time. Evening worked on Diamonds Drama book. It seems to be nearly ready for publication

Same weather cold and heavy
London

Sunday, February 4

[Quinquagesima.

Very slight gradual thaw. Plenty of snow left on ground. Slept late. Breakfast 10.30. Read papers. C. says Margaret says she hears me pacing as I go upstairs and that I shake her [illegible] -. Think there may be something in what she says. Worked all morning on Demon do Drama. Nice little luncheon C. & I together. Worked on Drama. Worked until 3 o'c when C. went to rest and I rewrote my letter to Aunt Mary about Freddie; last pages only. I wanted to add opinions of doctors and F's last note to Elsie. C. came up at 4 o'c. Put away F's photographs. Tea, and worked a little more on Drama, and then had a nap in chair by the fire. Quick bath and dressed for dinner. After dinner worked on Drama, C. read bits out of "Pride & Prejudice" which she has been re-reading and keeping by her. Then she settled down to Spears's Prelude to Victory.

Much milder but still

Monday, February 5

damp and misty. Woke
up with slight sore throat.
Coalfire bath. Breakfast 10.30
To office 11 o'C. Mr Sidney
away w. influenza. Mr
Miller ill too. Gave Mr Cook
letter about Freddie to copy and
send a copy to Charles Butler.
Dictated letter Dan Dyer.
To Garrick for luncheon
w. Drummond and Austin Dall
who told me about Montgelas
To Moss for underwear & then
to Standing and Hodgkinson.
Back to office. Dictated Mr
Cook. Had talk Mr Vaughan
and have put up an old
accusation against him that
he does not care for literature
and is interested only in popular
stuff. Home late. E. had been to
see the Eshers and had a row about
American Ireland & she told them that
England was not fighting! Bridge bath
dinner and worked Mr Carthy

Still milder snow nearly gone.

Tuesday, February 6

SHROVE TUESDAY.

Up early. Stopped on the way to office and witnessed [illegible] D. F.'s estate at assessment. Office dictated Miss Dunn Byrne and Mrs Rapp and a letter Mrs Cook. B. called and we went to Bach concert at National gallery and sandwiches refreshments. Stopped at Pub. for Guinness. Office signed letters. Call fr. old Russian Revolutionary Petroff. Signed letters. Hair cut. Home. Talk C. whose arm is sore after op. and had been to see Violet Bonham Carter who has some belief in Chamberlain - hardly [illegible] letters. C & I dinner in school-room. Christina has given notice as she has to go back to her flat [illegible]. Worked on accounts + Drama milder but still heavy with

Wednesday, February 7 went

up early. G. came up before
I finished breakfast. ASH WEDNESDAY Do-
ing to Doubleday the evening.
Find reproduces Comic French
Cartoon - issued by Sir John
Leith against Charles talk
for which death penalty is
threatened! Phew 1915.
Dictated Mrs Doran, Bryan, Mrs.
Clark. Call fr. Mr Warner
Hook. Call fr Skinner of W + N
Lunch Carnegie Duncan
Swann. G. at Frank Crowninshield's
plus pictures at Knoedlers
Back to office. Worked on circular
for Whitehall Series. Signed letters
Talk S.A.T. Williams & Opfer. Took
Cut glass bottle to Hatfield to
have new stopper. Home 2.7 Abus
G. had gone. Bath ex. Dinner.
+ worked puzzle and then
read [illegible] articles for dinner

Setting down to mild
& night.

Thursday, February 8

Office 10.10 Dictated
Miss Dean Byers. Call fr.
Nanthe about Whitehall Series
and new numt. Circulars
Worked on Hero Circular.
Lunch Cannick. Talk
Bernard Darwin in lounge.
Office call from Henry
Wilder. Signed letters and
worked on Hero circular
Tel. fr. Mr Miller about Putnam
a/c. Letter fr. Derek and
Dr. B. Living. Then Alan to be
visiting a visit. Worked on
Hero Circular. Talk S.H.T.
about pushing Astrology book.
Tel. Aunt Helen. Again worked
answered some of your
Home tube. ~~Bath~~ &. Dinner
Schimmel room as usual.
Read Warren Hastings novel.
Interesting but n.g. Worked
on Diamonds Drama.
To bed soon after 11 and
in bed at 12. Feeling better.

Calm dull & damp.

Friday, February 9

Not feeling better after all. Avoid fire bath. Office 10.35 Dictated Miss [illegible] Ryan – letter to Mrs Warren [illegible] about her novel. Dictated Mr Cook. Talk S.A.T. [illegible] [illegible] giving lectures [illegible] on "Labour Book Service". Talk Mr Miller about policy of publishing no books [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Bryan Guinness and Elizabeth called and took me to lunch at L'Etoile where we met Harold Acton & Cecil Sprigge. Harold thinks I should not have published War & Soldier. Back office. Signed letters etc. Talk Mr Miller & Mr [illegible] about staff. Mr Fredericks [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Fear he has been [illegible] it too much. To Amberley 5.4 taking Frank [illegible] Picasso for A. Nannies away. Talk [illegible] Brief bath. Dinner warmed claret. Read paper & wrote

Exceedingly cold & sunny

Saturday, February 10

Up late cheered by sunshine. A. out to walk with children. Mr. Lockman came to see G. Tel. fr. Royal Insurance Co. about Charlie Humphrey. Read papers. Out for walk with G. A. had come back with children, so she could keep an eye on Tom ill in bed alone in cottage. Lovely sun. Met hermit of [illegible] cooking something over little fire by barn above quarry. Home for lunch. Spent chiefly afternoon work on place! Doubtful if rafter of shed would support the A. to take care of children. G. [illegible] toast. I half slept sitting in chair by fire in sitting room! Tea. Talked. Looked at Edwardian Heyday c. interesting & good taste. After Frank concert on wireless. Cold bath. Dinner [illegible] dinin: warm cheering corner and drank mulled claret. A. & I did Times + word all but 3 G. at once [illegible] [illegible] delicious

W. T. L. H.

Sunday, February 11

1st Sunday in Lent.

Up 8.55. A. joined me and I lectured about her constipation and her double chin. She and I finished last night + wrote. C. to church with our tall weekenders. Simon + Gloria Elwes and his nephew Antony who is learning farming [illegible]. Simon has been painting American Cabinet ministers. Say they expect Germany to win. If Roosevelt stands election sure. Started letter to Tommie Lascelles about Freddie's death while C. at church. Finished after lunch. Then nap by fire. A. out with me. Some of the [illegible] kept going back + hellbent. Tea. Cecil [illegible] Gloria Simon Elwes + his nephew Jeremy. He went back from America. Between [illegible], [illegible]. Bath dinner. Back

To adults i sports [illegible] [illegible] for 3 Bridges

[illegible] items

1.50

Cold and snowed : younger

Monday, February 12

Up 7.50. Office 9.40. Our coal had not arrived and office quite unheated. Sat in E.S.'s room opening letters and then had coal fire in my room. Dictated Miss D.B.; Miss Cat. Talk Sidney circulars. Worked on Stopes circular. C. called and we had luncheon Etoile. Talk Mr Thurn. Signed letters. Talk Remarks about Tea Custer jacket. Read Agreement for Mr Scheele. N.C. Society dinner. Bus to Bond St, walked to 19 Manchester St and left [illegible] watch for Mr Ward. Walked home. Talk C. who is going to dinner with L.H. Myers. He has asked her to read his stories in MS, she can't help feeling a bad [illegible]! Bath & dinner alone. W. [illegible] on his brother's death. Read Mr Elder

speeches by Mrs [illegible]

Met [illegible] of Nisbet in tube

Tuesday, February 13

Rather restless at [illegible] because Margaret expected on the step in G's room. Got up and went to W.C. at 4.30 and then lay awake agonizing about business. [illegible] office 10.30 Dictated Miss D.B.M. Mr [illegible] Talk [illegible] Mr Sidney. [illegible] Captain [illegible] Royal [illegible] Call for David [illegible] re Nature book. Dictated Mr Cook. Lunch [illegible] and assistant in spectacles. To see Lavery [illegible] for Committee [illegible] at [illegible] & Philip [illegible] at Royal Academy. Both very good. To [illegible] & [illegible] & [illegible] office Dictated Mr Sidney. [illegible] Read [illegible] translation Left office at 5 0'c. Took C. & M. [illegible] had brought his [illegible] A. in school room. [illegible] arrived in flying uniform for dinner and stayed [illegible] after. [illegible] & C. [illegible] went to [illegible] I read [illegible]

Wednesday, February 14

Slept late. up 9 o'c.
Office 10.40 Dictated
Aln C. Miss D. B. Talk
Mr Sidney. Dictated Miss Sidney
who was going to see Mr Ward.
Tel. fr. Crowder: Jasper has
influenza but has not been
called up and hopes to
come back. Lunch Holborn.
Call for Helen Muirhead Told
her about Freddie. Signed
letters. Home Tube. Talk A.
Laurence going has started a drawing
in plum coat against red chair.
I have always hated him in red &
struggled against it. Rested.
Supper C., A., Pinkie, Michael, Ruth,
Ivan Moffatt. Michael again
did tricks. [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Rather
thin, the thin [illegible] for Peter
[illegible] as old [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]. Got home
& G proposed to play alone with
[illegible] of country. I [illegible].

Cold & snow on ground lightly.

Thursday, February 15

Letter from Elsie yesterday but I left for C. the A.M. Rode to Kettle. Up. 7:50. Office 10-18 Dictated Mrs D. B. [illegible] on Royal Newmarket. Call from Cong. Breckendorff. Lunch Hotel. Called This is A- Chapman, Nat Ag Co. C. is going back to Amherst today. I feel terribly discouraged and depressed. C. saw Clary Chapman yesterday and quarrelled with her about A's A. C. doesn't want A. to see any more. Worked on Stage Town country articles in Time & Tide. Home. C. had gone back to Amherst and Pinkie was in A's attic-room. To bed for a rest. Up to dinner. 2 policemen to complain about light etc. upon knocking where A. had been to look at Lawrence's pictures - I managed to placate them. A's picture shows her slumped in chair at her most unattractive, but characteristic.

[illegible]

snowing when we went to bed

Friday, February 16

Fastened green satin quilt over spare room [illegible]. Breakfast A. Office 10.35 Dictated Mr C. Mr D.B. ill but arrived 12.M. Call on Miller who is returning to work here. Moved Mr Raffy into 15 Sidney's room. Call from [illegible] Patman and Dawes of Pickers about his debts. Dictated Mr D.B. Long talk Mr Frederick about his visit. Lunch. Exp. Davies. Signed letters. Dictated to [illegible]. Out from [illegible] Howarth. Went to Odhams. Bus to Victoria where I met [illegible] and Tinkie and we went down to [illegible] by 5.4 Slept in train, side lights in dark shades could be turned up for reading with blinds down. G.'s [illegible] Mrs Little dying, Mr Little said she was sinking further, I left his paper. Bath ex. After dinner all sat in sitting room, [illegible] + + word

Mrs Lettis
died 8. AM

Amberley

Saturday, February 17

Thick snow on ground again but melting underfoot. Breakfast 9.30 Russians seem. If he gains in Finland and Sweden will not help. Read Times & Mirror. Got wood and built fire in cottage sitting room. To village w. C. to cash her billeting coupons and walk round Clay Croft. Sat in cottage & started Bruce's prof[illegible]. Pulled hair out of his tail while C. in shop. Looks like a plume now. Late lunch indoors. Made up fire in cottage after lunch for A. & P. Later they took children to film in village place. I sitting in chair. After tea worked on Bruce's. Talked to C. and listened to radio account of the rescue of the English prisoners from the Altmark. After dinner worked on Bruce's till 11.45

W. McLettie

Sunday, February 18.

Breakfast 9.30. Light snow falling most [2nd Sunday in Lent] of morning. Did accounts in sitting room w. C., A, & Pinkie sitting by fire. When papers came read glorious story of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] of Lucknow. Built fire in sitting room of cottage & C + I out there to get away fr. girl. Pinkie very tactless and is more concerned at English aspersions of German chagrin than at English success. C. in very good ~~[illegible]~~ Jenny Elmes, Walker. Nice Irishwoman & boy. Sent them to sitting room in cottage & C + I rested. When I woke up girls had come back & I worked at Bennie's acs. Dinner in cottage before & after tea. After R. drives back to London taking Arthur's letters to station in car. R. back & next to London. Bed 10 o'c.

Monday, February 19

Up latish damp & chill
Met Creaks of Garrick in Tube
lift. Office 10.30. Dictated
Mr Doug Byers. Call from
Raymond re the design for Jean
Castro. Dictated Mr Cook
Luncheon Garrick Austin Hall.
Talk Miller. Signed letters.
Long call from Thomson about
Palestine visa. W. Talk Baffin.
Home bath etc. Dinner 7.30
Chairman's letter this morning
from Office thanking me for
long letter about his secretary's
death and thanking C. for her
message in spite of their
separation owing to political
differences. Find it very
difficult to eat crooked humble
again. Think I must go back
to [illegible]. Spent evening
reading Benker's Journey. There
is a cynical and conventional
attitude about order & matter
but he is good on art.

Moonlit night

Tuesday,, February 20

Woke in night but managed to avoid worrying and to enjoy falling into state of indefiniteness; up 8 o'c. when called. Office 10 o'c. Dictated Miss D. and Ryan and Mrs C. Talk S.H.T. about Marie Hancock: dinner etc. Talk Frederick about his visit. Rumours that 2 of Mr Cole's comrades in France have been frozen to death – Must be some explanation or no truth in it. W. Moore to thank him for Xmas engagement calendar. Lunch. Garrick. To Bank to look up Cross Falls about obligation for Montana Guarantee. O.K. for C. missed him & did not get up till 2 o'c. Signed letters etc. Went thro' suggestion files & cleaned out a lot. Home 5.45 Talk C. & H. & studied music, [illegible] piano in connection w. A's engagement class at Castle. Ordered to support [illegible] with [illegible] Carte Carlo for Nitschka. Went there but [illegible]

[illegible]

Wednesday, February 21

Sketch to put up scaffold
in mind's corner. Asked to-
day Mr. Tayubus at Fancy
Bill's proprs until his present
finished so as not to print
her work at probably too
much. Jasper Addley back.
Talk S. & T. about Sidney leaving.
11.24 train from Charing + to
have luncheon with Ernest
Newman at Tadworth. Pleasant
settlement of cottages with nice
farms. His cottage has big
terraced garden and some nice
things. Talked in his big studio
in garden. Big blue Persian
with ears & eyes. Back
to office. Talk Sidney
about his leaving for
Army pay corps. V. J. W.
Mrs Newman. Home. Pikis
[illegible] A. & C. but left. Talk
C. Brief bath. [illegible] to [illegible]
[illegible] evening in Bunds.
In bed at 12.

Milder with a little sun.

Thursday, February 22

Slept sore throat at night as usual. Nasal passages curiously tight & dry. C. going back to Archbishop's today. To Chemist for Cerviat tablets. Stopped at Chemist in Gt. Russell St. for Bucalin vaccine tablets as recommended by Bryce Clennar. Dictated Miss C. Call fr. Kermack. re Mon Castello diary & letters for new Cassell & Butler. Call fr. little M. Sutton out of work friend Potter or Webb. Tel. fr. Jack Balfour. Call fr. M. E. Glenn for whom Balfour is arranging passport details. Walk to Pk. for Luncheon. Don't feel at all well. Dictated long letter to Bennis. Also to Ernest Newman and got the agreement. Read Bennis. [illegible] [illegible]. A. going out to dine with Robert Stevens. Dinner here and remained all evening on Bennis. Curious dryness in my nasal passages

Milder weather.

Friday, February 23

A. came from [illegible] late after I had gone to sleep, but did not ask her where. Office 9.50. Talk [illegible] about Schnee and Jasper about his conscription prospects. Signed letters and dictated. [illegible] in order continues, don't feel at all well. Read Peter Petroff memoirs. Lunch [illegible] C. Stelling amused him with account of our [illegible] party. Back to office. Read Petroff and discussed it with Jasper. Schnee was taken into Army service at once and sent to Portsmouth but his father does not know in what capacity. Signed letters. Met Alfreda at V. and we travelled down to Amberley in carriage with Evelyn Emmet. Slept and read article on America in Telegraph that she gave me. Nanna ill. Brief bath. After dinner, she read me. A. in bed about 10 o'C.

Amberley, mild with
a bright sun

Saturday, February 24

Breakfast 9.30. Read papers and then settled down to morning work on Brains. Mrs Kuekman called as warden and suggested that our keeping cleaned clothes in kitchen cupboard bred lice! Brisk walk w. G. Picked hazel branches wi. idea that catkins will come out in water. G. arranged quite pieces in hall. Rosalind Cubitt to lunch. Drove over in their car. Seemed to enjoy being here like old times (?). I went to bed and rested heavily. Up for tea and then settled down to Brains. Nannie seems worse with laryngitis. Brief bath. Dinner with warmed claret as usual. After dinner listened to Raymond Gram Swing on radio, and worked at Brains. Bed 12.0'c

Daylight saving begins [illegible]

Sunday, February 25

[3rd Sunday in Lent.

Mild but grey and misty. Up fairly early and breakfast 9.30. Sat in sitting room &c. Canary singing cheerfully. Worked on Benois all morning. G. went to church and was nearly asphyxiated by fumes from bad fuel. Two [illegible] had been attacked [illegible] Brig. Walk along [illegible] Road with Dan. A. started out but turned back because she was cold without a coat. G. came to meet me and we looked at snowdrops in Mrs Smith's garden. Jimmy Elwes came to [illegible]. Talked to Jerry about his broken nose and [illegible]. Advised him not to have his teeth mended. Tel. Bertram Bingham about [illegible] Cezanne book. Rested. Tea. Drew Chiquis. C. insisted on combing A's hair. Wrote Benois. Brief talk. Back to London 9.20. Black out, no reading. Bus to M. Arch. Taxi home. G. C's to G. & Station reporting [illegible] platform bench.

Cold & grey

Monday, February 26

Chill of an hour earlier. Men putting up scaffolding outside [illegible] window. Breakfast 8.57; office 10.0c; Dictated Miss Cook. Call fr. Burrage about poverty [illegible] circular. Worked wi. Alley on Benois & read further proofs. lunch. Garrick Austin Hall & saw Lady Greenfield's friend Balfour lunching wi. Roderick Jones. Call from Wells of Van Leer abt reproductions. Signed letters. Home tube with fruit & cheese for dinner. Bath uncooked dinner. Worked all evening on Benois. Henry Smith has put scaffolding up front of house, to mend corner that has crumbled owing to storms and frost. I think I may be feeling a bit better, but everything is very depressing. Sidney has gone for good and we needed him. Jasper has come back & we could do without him

Decidedly milder.

Tuesday, February 27

Up 7.10. Office 10.10

Worked mostly morning trying to find Subjects for [illegible] D[illegible] photos for Glasgow [illegible]. Dictated a few letters. Our furniture arrived from N. Haven. Hard to find place for it. Luncheon [illegible]. Worked on Binnis. Long call from Mr. [illegible] Schoenfeld emigré German and his English wife. Had a [illegible] Dutch [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] that [illegible] should have been stopped from publishing the kind of books he did. Talk Talbot about Binnis chapter titles. Worked on Binnis. Home about 7. Talk. C. & A. A. has been [illegible] Charley is a very competent man and [illegible] the [illegible] of apples from his store. Brief bath. [illegible] [illegible] in my [illegible] this. [illegible] his [illegible] disseminated sclerosis! [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Dull day WALKED HOME Mild weather

Wednesday, February 28

Up. 7.50. Breakfast & the trading subject - A going to [illegible] w. her. and about A. out of town. I expressed my views and insisted on keeping out of the affair. Office 10.20. Bertram's ~~[illegible] Jas Counter.~~ Talk Mr ~~Seipple~~ about Bena's letters. Dictated to Mrs. C. all morning. Luncheon [illegible] C. Evans's one + member also evidently along to Constable. Walked home. Covent Garden, Neal St, Mercer St, Monmouth St. Chaplin back in Mr Polli's window. Dictated Mr Seidler & good letters including long letter to Bena's. Read Seago's book on Diaghilev - surprisingly good. Bought [illegible] after D[illegible] Mr Dent [illegible] G. had [illegible] out [illegible] & a [illegible] come [illegible] cinema [illegible] worked on his book. A. had gone out to cinema & night-club with Dick Wellesley. Started dinner & just when Pat Nagle called w[illegible]

Cards for Finnerty dinner. [illegible] 15 [illegible]

Colder [illegible] cold [illegible] Chilly [illegible] Cos

Mild grey

Thursday, February 29

To bed after 12 last night
and slept late. C. goes back
to-day. Office 10.45. Talk
Jasper about doing [illegible]
work. Long one from
Arthur Ransome who wants
me to do Camp Spur book in
conjunction with capt.
Lunch Chandos Court & read
Lifar's Diaghilev. Talk S.A.T.
about joint publication. He
doesn't like it. Call fr. Martha
Petroff. Advised her to cut
their memories to Revolution & Di-
leaders. Tel. from Wm. Howard
after meet very cordial. Walked
down Strand. [illegible]. S.A.T. till 7 o'c.
Home. C. had gone to [illegible]
A. [illegible] has upon exhibition.
She has heard from Bee
Nicolson that her boy has measles
just on day of his leave or
rather quarantine. Dinner, fruit.
Talk A. who went to bed
early. Finished letter to Cox. C.

[illegible]

Sunny Morning:

Friday, March 1

Exercise in Ed's bath room
& over. Office 10.10

ST. DAVID'S DAY.

Talk Frederick who has been
discharged for hospital attendance
for week; and and returning
to A.F.S. Call for Mr Bosanquet
father of Canathan Riddle.
Cousin of Father Cleveland's
husband. Talk SAT. Talk
Miller. Noticed his R.A.F.
tie etc. he got in that war.
Lunch at Carrick. air force
pass & F. Nankivell. Walked
back Mercer St. from the theatre
Call Fr. Burrough for. Hans
Circular. Dictated & signed
letters. Talk Miss Sibley.
Mr West returning for his
flat tomorrow. Met A.
at Victoria and joined by
Jeremy Evans who had engaged
Queen Charlotte's Ball on.
N. Kean field for which we got the
invitation. Went into Sitting
Commons to get money for. look
out Sanderson's stuff.

Finishing diary. [illegible]. Miller Dinner and paper

Awfully cold bright spring

Saturday, March 2

day. Buds bursting on all trees. A. staying in bed w. laryngitis. Read papers. Then talked to Charley all evening. Went over work w. Chas. & C. Humphrey. Down the cat in shed & window enlarged. Left for dinner. Tel. Conn. Chickens for tel. batteries. Up in Abrams w. Guy. Stick rather cold. Back & started to saw branch of sycamore. Rather hard. Tea & went around place w. C., [illegible] about digging up lawn for garden. Call fr. Letts Rust re giving up cottage. Talked things up setting even Bruce batty. After dinner v. chugers. Read papers and [illegible] 4 [illegible] Diashebo

A.M. Call fr. Lairinick Can't come to lunch Sun.

P.M. Call to Jennings Can't come to lunch on Sun.

Cold north wind but
warm Sunday, March 3 sun.
Breakfast 10.10
A. still staying in bed [4th Sunday in Lent.
C. to church with children
Sap pouring down sycamore
tree from the branch I sawed
half through yesterday. Finished
cutting it and then I got Charlie
A. to put on ashes and tar and
by afternoon it had stopped.
Went about place w. Charlie
& decided on work for him
C. joined us at 12.30 and
then she and I went over little
cottage which we think of dividing
into two. A. down to lunch.
After worked on drive screen
till tea time. Then began to
get sayings written big table
of ladders. Worked reading
North room fire with A. faced
her w. C. sofa by fire-place
table under lamp. Brief bath
Dinner. To bed [illegible] by 9.20
blue light to 3 Bridge. Then the what

London Office 10.25

Monday, March 4

Dictated Mr Cook. Talk to A.T. Read letters. Discussed Binns translation RIDLEY with ~~[illegible]~~. Tel & found Sir E. Cuff away the week. Wanted to discuss Ransome's Altmark book. Luncheon P.E.N. at Carrick. Got ink & Parts [illegible] for mending screen. Got [illegible] Cleaners at [illegible] [illegible] agents. Announce in P.C. of book on Altmark by Cmdr. Campbell. Intr. by Ld. Chatfield. Dictated Mr [illegible]. Signed letter. Walked home with [illegible] & [illegible]. Stopped to call on Mrs West. Seeming to be recovering very well. Her niece sister there. I talked too much about my memoirs. W. gave me a [illegible]. Home [illegible] dinner. Tel fr G. Agent coming tomorrow as Laurence [illegible] has German measles. Read Eden Paul translation of [illegible]

Tuesday, March 5

Wakened up at 7. by what appeared to be an air-raid alarm. Got up at 7.30. The street seemed strangely quiet but evidently there had not been any warning. Office 9.45. Dictated all morning. Mr Clark. Talk Jasper about use of the "bugger" in John M.N's Glasgow Kiltie. Luncheon Reform Arnold Palmer & Lawson Walton. Dictated Miss Coffey. Call for Parker about Royal Newmarket. Talk Jasper again about Glasgow Kiltie. Walked to Euston Road & bus to Edgware Road. Had called at 2nd hand carpet shop in Shaw St and they referred me to their branch in Church St, Edgware Road but it was closed. Walked home. Bath etc. Dinner early. Got 9. about [illegible] [illegible] papers. Mended Cig. Case. Attacked [illegible] ditto & read poetry. To bed before 12.

Bright, clear & cold.

Wednesday, March 6

Had windows open under
bed as usual & made my
throat sore — worse day.
Discouraged. Ex. before coal
fire. Office 10.10. Dictated
Miss Clark. Dictated Miss Dora
Byers. Call fr. Provost Coles
on leave fr. Fukui, [illegible]
gave [illegible] drivers. Call fr.
Carey about Lynn's daughter &
worried in [illegible] Pk. Garden.
fits before going to the early Chamber.
Lunch C Derrick. Talk Kelly
Roberts. Office dictated Mrs D.B.
Read Chinese Stephen Chancellor's article
on Sino-Japanese news in Int.
Affairs. Showers up. Topsy bad.
Talk Miller & Batt. To Batt files
about decanter stopper — not found
yet. Home bus Exeter Road.
C. out at film of African Pygmies
& Country Walk of Viola. Early
bed after working on accounts.
C. came back 7.00. C. & I [illegible]
& Amberley news. Worked
accounts.

Brighter & warmer
Thursday, March 7
Woke 6.00. Got up
tired 8 o'c. Office 10.30
Dictated. Long call fr.
Walker Ransom about
Altmark & Von Spee. Lunch
w. C. at Scotts with
Lilian & Marguerite.
Call from Mr Bush, says
he will send some [illegible]
[illegible] for the children.
Worked on Hino circular
with S.A.T. Letter fr. Sidney
talked about War Pic. S.A.T.
and Mr Miller. Home tube. Read
paper. C. at film. My cig. box
that I had been gluing nicely
set. Bath bus ex. C. home.
Dinner C. and worked on
accounts. Read Lifar's
Diaghilev. C. writing all
the evening in her journal
on which she spends hours
every day confiding the
emotions and experiences
of her life. Not a bad way [illegible]

Cold & grey

Friday, March 8

Slept every night. Sore throat does not clear up. Sumner Welles arriving on Sunday. I would offer him some hospitality if I had a house. Cont [illegible] bath as usual. Office 10-30. Composed letter to Sumner Welles. Dictated to Miss Cook & Miss Dean Ryan. Lunched [illegible] Bruce Lockhart, C. & the Moura. Bruce says Harold Nicolson has asked him with interest [illegible] on account of Ban. Bruce says he has done 60000 out of 100,000 on his book. He and I walked back to office together. Off. office. I saw Moura wi. & [illegible] a [illegible] dropped violet. Call from Burridge wi. proofs of the Custer Jacket. Bad letter. Talk Mrs 3 [illegible] M. & C. Victoria. To Amberley. Bad dream. & word wi A.

Then I [illegible] my old letter [illegible]

Sunny mild day

Saturday, March 9

Breakfast 9.15

Sergius off for his holiday till Tuesday night. Read papers and worked on Cross word puzzle for last night. G. up early and put sassafras oil on Children's heads to kill nits. She & I went to see cut limb of 5 years that had been bleeding & Charl has stopped it with tar or something. Cut off broken apple limbs. We cut mess place ner. Charles to see about enlarging vegetable garden. Parsnips for lunch fried. Proved acceptable. Worked all afternoon on old Jap. screen, pasting and painting. Expect to make pretty of screen. Finished & wrote to Children brought in paper [illegible] and others pictures w. colored pencils. Long bath etc. Dinner. Read magazines & A. M[illegible] in Nat Geo.

[illegible]

[illegible] A.T. 5 [illegible]

Amberley coal office.

Sunday, March 10

5th Sunday in Lent.

Breakfast 9.30. A. stayed in bed. C. & Nannie in A's room to talk about Alice & her illness. She is coming over to Manchester today and it is a problem how to get her back. C. & I to Church but cold & [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Read a fair [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. C. came back fr. Church — joined me. After luncheon I worked at accounts for the flying [illegible] but had few nearly obliterated by [illegible]. Finished after tea, better than I had thought possible. Built up fires. Very bitter wind. Walked to station and home by 9.20 train. 16 fares to [illegible] [illegible] and walked home. Opened window a crack.

Nice sunny day.

Monday, March 11

Woke up with sore throat
as always when we had open
Wore thick coat to office in
case I should have those
summer well; quite warm
enough. Office 10.25. S.A.T.
was called up by police
Stanley moving about lights
showing. Came up [illegible]
and I finished [illegible] — from
other houses. Dictated Mr Cook
Lunch Garrick. Called fr. Wells
& Van Leer about [illegible]
Visits. Call from Mr McKinge
Carew about Blue book
Signed letters. Talk Miss
Sedine. Tel. fr. Al Wright.
Signed letters. Bought fruit
from Lillie. [illegible] gains to [illegible]
[illegible] clips [illegible] for [illegible] to
pictures Linden. Met Eric leaving
A. at home. Talk. Bath. Dinner
[illegible] for me & scrambled eggs [illegible].
Read Master of Mammon up. [illegible]
just finished. Read Daughter. Tel
fr. C. Eleanora to be married Monday

Grey morning milder.

Tuesday, March 12

Sore throat a bit better. Slept w.
windows closed. Breakfast and
Talk Crews in garden — about
manure and spraying. Office
9.50. Tel. fr. C. who has
arrived safely; [illegible].
Dictated Mrs Cooper. Lunch
till Browns Hotel to discuss
position of my shares and the
business in case of my death —
His son came in to speak to
him in uniform in charge of
anti air craft gun. Back to
office. Long talk S.A.T. & Miller
about light supposed to be
showing. As firemen are air
raid shelter the Warden has
the key & should have been
told but police to put out light.
Walked home. Ben Nicolson
waiting for me. A. joined him when
he told [illegible]. G. own came in
Bath [illegible] ex. D. with C., A. & J.
Read Dinghalw and discussed
Eleanor's marriage. She has
asked E. to go to "blessing" at
St Marks N. Audley Street

Sunny day. [illegible]

Wednesday, March [illegible]

Up 8.30. Letter fr. Sumner Welles regretting opportunities to make it impracticable to meet. Papers announce Finland acceptance of Russian terms. Office 10.30. J. McNeill [illegible] went to [illegible] his [illegible] all boards [illegible] weeks in his [illegible] & [illegible] Kuhn. Long talk Miss Seeley about conflicting interests between N.Y. & London. Lunch Carnegie [illegible] Lying Heald was at private school w. Duke of Aosta & his brother and at Oxford w. Evelyn Cobbold and in Italy during war. British [illegible] & knows [illegible] Jack SA [illegible] [illegible] Shall [illegible] [illegible] for Amrgades [illegible] Case fr. [illegible] about Brazil and [illegible] about his [illegible] in the Ballet. Talked till 6.30. Walked home. Met [illegible] Nijinsky [illegible] with a light in his eyes. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] stage [illegible] [illegible] I thought it was all right [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

Thursday, March 14

N. E. wind & driving snow wh.
melted as it fell.
G. came in at 12. last night
& we talked of Ben & Alfrida who
seem to be fond of each other
though hardly in love.
up early opening door – drawing
curtains before Margaret called
me. Office, 9.10. Dictated
Mrs Clark; C. B.-C. luncheon:
Jasper, Cassidy, G. & I.
Met J's sister in Office Stair.
Signed letters. Bank accounts
checked by auditors. Read
Ms of novel that Mr Pelley
thinks I should look at.
Cut fr. Stevens re. Shinkler
teaches Latin. Talk E.A.T.
Hair cut. Walk home through
Park. Talk G. about Ben. Nieba
She was rather upset by talk
at lunch. Habits of both parents
known to him. But probably
most suitable for man of
disappointment. She is doing us
Perfectly Varia Music and all going Ben
& Laurence for curfew a. G. & I
dinner. Talked and read Lives

Sunny Day

Friday, March 15

Office 10 a.m. Call from
Mrs Bunnings when I was cross
about Atlas & Hind orders
Dictated Wire Co. Talk Colby
McNeillie, Lynn, Burns. I
Lunch French Embassy. Talk
Swiss Minister, Greek Minister,
Admiral Goodenough. To
Liberty & Nicholls w. O. E.
look at green material
for sofa. Horrible. Back
to office. Signed letters.
Home late. Changed clothes
O. & H. & I to pictures
5:45 Huxley. Slept
in train. Matthews boys
at Station. Got out
white wine for dinner.
Bath etc. After dinner
talked about Eleanor's
marriage tomorrow.
Read awhile, & read
novels

Am early pleasant A.M.

Saturday, March 16

Nannie off for weekend. A. only Abel packing for C. Ellen an invalid. Breakfast late, read papers. Roumania seems to be going Nazi. To village w/ D. Talk Major Lochgran. Bought Whiskey at Black Horse. Bought Oil lines at at Stores ~~and~~ and also jugs at the Goldsmiths. Talk Charley Simms and various. D. Lunch. account. C. to bed, nurses amuse Matthews. Worked at [redacted] various odd jobs. To see Ahab who was tidying round his cottage. Talk about Germans he's digging up. A.M. tea. Read Dickens before & after dinner.

Mild rain

Sunday, March 17

[illegible] up late—

ST. PATRICK'S DAY. Breakfast— 9.45 Palm Sunday.

Too raining for Church & [illegible] [illegible] after having a [illegible] [illegible] to James [illegible] [illegible] Coat. Read papers. Called on Mrs Price Allen about work. Out with E. to see [illegible] [illegible] in Little Cottage. Mr [illegible] has left it beautifully clean. We think we will separate tiles room & bed room above & [illegible] take it. Vicar who [illegible] showed me [illegible] stairs. [illegible] for lunch. Worked on [illegible] papers [illegible]. Mrs Allen called and we looked at [illegible] upstairs in C's room that he [illegible] to enlarge. Then he [illegible] / [illegible] Little Cottage. [illegible] about [illegible] [illegible]. Worked on [illegible] before and after tea. E. & I went to look at chicken place [illegible] [illegible]. Bath, dinner. [illegible]

, [illegible] grey day & rain
[illegible] Tommie [illegible] !

Monday, March 18

Woke early & [illegible] a bit. Up 7.30. A. does not seem to be getting over measles but her glands are smaller. C. & I to [illegible] in rain. Met Alan Walter and John Mathias. Cold & fair in train. Last part getting as good and humour. Office 11 o'c. Dictated Mr [illegible] [illegible] Cornick. C. [illegible]. Cecily Wellesley has just been in. He has been in Cambridge but [illegible] 4 [illegible] to France. Walked back through Covent Garden & stopped at shop in Bloomsbury St. to inquire about silhouette. Read Daughter's [illegible] Second edition. Catherine Darwin & Tucker from Glasgow [illegible] arrived. After [illegible] home bus. Eleanor in. C. ! Heard her voice in other room. Rested. Both dressed. C. said going to [illegible] Eleanor. I was pleased that she [illegible] let E. get round her as [illegible]. Then she said she needed not go & telephoned to

E., I proposed that we go to [illegible] we did after dinner. Tom Stewart

Mild Sun & Clear.

Tuesday, March 19

News of peace rumours. exchange Poland for Colonies. All seems hopeless. Last night we talked late about C. who told C. she regretted marriage. Just after C. and I said. Tel Bea. Comfort, Smith about plan in this in [illegible] C. says that Dr. Nicolson Tel. difficulties on Friday after he left. Office 10 o'c. Talk S. AT. Lunch Tel. Mme Brutinel. Dictated Miss Cook Tel repeatedly ? — Royal Horticultural Society to help to get Bea.. Home & phoned [illegible] for. Hy. Smith re. steps & Cross of [illegible]. Bell & Chairs at home. Waited 2 – 3.30 heard rain but no Bell. C. came in & writing to Bell. I returned to office. Signed letters. Talk Walls & Van Leer. Home. Bus. C. came in dress. Talk. Busy [illegible] Dinner. Finished & [illegible]

Wednesday, March 20

Naomi telephoned Alfreda has rash, so A is German Measles. Office 10 o'c. Call from Beaumont re: copy of his memoirs: Details. Talk Kelly about [illegible]. Talk S.A.T. Beaumont Bulletin working round to problem of business depression. Lunch [illegible]. To [illegible] W. Park about Amherst plans. Back at office 4. Signed letters. Read Mrs [illegible] about her. Talk Kelly again re [illegible] — Home bus after long talk with Edmund [illegible] about his writing. He thinks we are on eve of great change in conduct of war, England taking [illegible]. Read his story about [illegible] [illegible]. Not successful. Bath. Fruit dinner. Read Beaumont chapter on [illegible] Bullet. Bed before midnight.

Mild rainy day.

Thursday, March 21

Stopped papers and got them
of Chandler. Rode 10 c.
Dictated Miss [illegible] Cook
Dictated Miss Sidley. Read these
letters at noon. Lunch. Consent
Shuckburgh. Called for C.'s winter
Commerce Class. Got picture
papers for Alfreda. Signed letters
Started to go to [illegible] but
turned back to send weekly Telegram
to Monica Neabury but found
wedding not till March 30th.
Off to Station w. [illegible]
[illegible] Mc Bergh. Met Jack
Wyndham & Claudie at ticket
office but missed him on train
and at Peterborough. Sargent
met me Amherst. Up to see
Alfreda. Mumps and swollen
[illegible] C. chances measles. Looked
at C.'s room. Pres Allen has
enlarged cupboard and C has
[illegible] away [illegible] to get
settling down effect. Walk
dinner C. off Nancy's. Read
[illegible]. Bed midnight after

Ambulance: Pleasant day

Friday, March 22

[GOOD FRIDAY]

Up early. Breakfast 9 o'c [illegible] walked [illegible] clears barns, [illegible] ladder & found oh [illegible] 5:30 train. No papers on Good Friday. Talked Orrie Allen down in his orchard about instruments & tractor etc. He told me about his apple tank. Then saw his wife [illegible] at [illegible] he took me up and showed me bedrooms & [illegible] and many of his old furniture. Talk Charles Humphrey at [illegible] shed. Talked Chafey Scott about turning his yard [illegible] extending veg. garden. Looked at back of Jetta's cottage. A. much better face [illegible] swollen. Also thinks Orrie Allen cuttings about bookcases etc. Dr. [illegible] fireplace in [illegible] where Jo father died. Mrs. E. Jennings [illegible] who told of [illegible] Dr. [illegible] over in Portland [illegible] place patching his front hall

[illegible]

Fair & pleasant Day

Saturday, March 23

Breakfast 9 o'c w. Nannie
pleased 1 hut. Talk Charly
Humphrey and agreed 4 £2. per
week. Talk Lettice and one
young man who has this
shared room for Easter w. a
friend supposed. He is married
Looked at their room & other
rooms in Cottage - Clerk has
Lettie her marked figures. Talk
Talk Charly various and looked
at bunchairs back of Lettie
cottage. Over Lettie cottage w.
Cook for electric. To P.O. for
envelopes. [illegible] Bertie their
stiff and in difficult as usual.
At lunch Nannie only Mr Baker
stay any time happy & dreams
Dr Wright of Glasgow. Wild swans
Mr Woolbrook. Miss Dunnage in
purple cape & his present sheet of
pie. Mrs Cuthbert fr. A. Knights
Moved extra furniture from York,
room. Watched weekly figures.
Kathleen Ruff & Walters Lock, young
married back fr. Egypt. Girls
Young etc. Bertie. S. Hen. Catherine

Sunday, March 24 [Easter Day.

Amberley. Grey mild day with some sun and brief light rain in late p.m. Up early. Happy Easter all around. Great excitement with Easter eggs for children and all. To church wi. C. I stayed for communion but C. left before. Talked to Lechmere after church and joined C. who had been looking at farm plans up near Alfred's where it is much better. After luncheon long rest by fire in sitting room. C. went for a walk before I was up. We had tea together and then I went for a little walk up to the Keeper's [illegible] and back by the other road. Then talked to F. Charley came down as he will be away with 'Mr. Letters,' tomorrow and at Arthur Lettice's wedding at Clayton. After dinner worked on Mrs. Eddy, revising as I went after C. Seems pretty good

Just such another day
as yesterday.

Monday, March 25

Up late. Read papers.
Got strip of wood and wedged

BANK HOLIDAY

QUARTER DAY.

FIRE INSURANCE DUE.

it to support refectory
table top sagging under
weight of [illegible] fear best
get another bracket of
something for centre piece
in hall. Most lovely show
refreshes reading Belchamber
C. and I went for walk
along rich hedge and back
for lunch. Lovely mild
spring day. After lunch
looked at drawings for tree
hut C wants for her front
cottage garden. Rested both.
Dressed and motored over
to Petworth, to tea. Violette,
Charles Buchan, I had box.
plain about owners, Claude;
Henry Lake Buxton, Lady
Knollsback, Dorothy Graham.
Talked till 7.30. Home dinner.
+ news [illegible] A. Bed late

up 7.45. Goodbye to A. & B.

Tuesday, March 26

To station in rain. Changed from an empty train at Horsham to crowded one and stood up all the way to London. Wretchedly uncomfortable and late. Dictated. Talk Jasper who suggested Richard Law for book. Call fr. young Sid in uniform. Getting military appointments. Will not improve his character. Dictating Mrs C. Lunch Club Room. Call fr. Harry Shaw about Shaddon's sequel to Don. Talk by tel. w. Mrs Newman about Friedelinde Wagner's book. Tel. Mrs Wagner there but no reply. Got front. Ham Tube. Beatty, Sermons grand service. W. Diary. Read Tiff Lazarus

Letters from Paul – Jimmie

Read Mrs Eddy

Sunny day, colder.

Wednesday, March 27

Up 7.40 Office 9.38

Tel. Dr Butler @ office about Mrs. Wagner's book. A great deal of talk and telephoning with little accomplished. Settled down to long dictation. Also C. Lunch dinner 1.45 @ [illegible] @ [illegible] Wellesley, Eddie Knoblock, A.E.W. Mason. W. Mr Butler [illegible] on the charge of her husband. Signed letter. Paid Mrs Eddy. [illegible] tube. Paid Mrs Engl. in school room [illegible] then at 8. 7. till joined C. & @ Wellesley in library. C. [illegible] going to France probably Monday after spending a couple of months at a camp in Cambridge. Says rumour that Deladier fell because he asked Chamberlain to join in sending help to Finland and Chamberlain refused. Much public wanted help first. Moving to [illegible] & see back next [illegible] — [illegible] to her flat

P.M. @. C. to E[illegible] wedding. [illegible]

Sunny day

Thursday, March 28

Slept first part of night in C's room w. bath-room window open. Woke up 4.30 w. sore throat & went back to my room. Worried about business and finally slept again. Got up & office 9.30. Dictated Mr Cook Mrs Coffey Mr Don Byer. Mr Mead back fr Eastbourne feeling much better. Talk McKay & Chatham about Don. Worked out agreement for Beaumont. Lunch 2.15 Walter Annenberg came to see C's water. Signed letters. Worked on Beaumont agreement w. Ashley. Called Mitchell [illegible] & Carmo Cathie to the con- [illegible] about story about Shelbourne [illegible] home. Bath. C. came back from V. Butterworth cocktail party. Walter brought Eleanor's wedding album & our others to my dinner & problem. Talked about E. Leo also deplored album. Bed 11.30

Friday, March 29

Good night up early. Tried
a find breakfast for Maurice
Newberry but found much
by cooking. Office 9.40
w. Chequers. Worked on
Royal Newmarket story
+ illustrations. Talk w.
Patten re agents for placing
our books of U.S.A. to
my favour 3 p.m. Lunch
Gaffack. Bought lace.
Chemise being at Mrs Patton
for Mom a Newberry also
took Mom to go to Q's
dinner. Call from Kenmore
Synod tables. Call from
Cabin Damon. Met
Q at Victoria & w. Ashley
by 5.4 Jenny having
tea with A. Talked to
him about better system
keeping house. Dinner + [illegible]

Amberley Ellen & Sue.

Saturday, March 30

Breakfast 9.30
Read papers. Cheques for
Charlie, Charley Humphrey
Talked Charley about
giving up hens etc &
[illegible] garden. Walked to
P.O. for J.B. [illegible] & Mrs
Wright as usual. Lunch.
A putting all of them to bed.
Measured sitting room floor
for carpet & tried them back
fr [redacted] fin. A. Letter
to M.M. [illegible] Coleman, Coz
George who has broken
his hip. A. came down
feeling much better. Short
Read Otter. Took Jenny [illegible]
here and [illegible] his truck A. & [illegible]
[illegible] his horse in "batteries"
C came back from bicycling to
tea with Viola. Bath dinner.
A and I did all of Times + read. Read

Mrs E. [illegible]

Dinner 9.30 [illegible] [illegible] Another pleasant but cold

Sunday, March 31

Up latish. To see Mrs.
Hulick who wants better
[1st Sunday after Easter]
cottage. Suggested that we
might improve her cottage
for her. Talk Charley.
Call fr. Plumer who wants
cottage. Took him to see it.
Took A to see it. C. + I. + A
went for brief walk. Don
went [illegible] after dinner +
[illegible] with bank + dinner
[illegible] like Donald duck
[illegible] C. + I. A lunch at
[illegible] Castle on invitation of
Jimmy. Nap in chair.
Quiet P.M. among wounded
children because Alice who
is still away thro' illness
is threatening. Alice + Alice sent
letter to mother. All mothers
down to see C. to-day but
[illegible] missed her. C. + I. + A. D.
[illegible] [illegible] Bryan, Elizabeth,
Tiffany, [illegible] [illegible]
9 others [illegible] [illegible]

Cold day & grey kind

Monday, April 1

London up 7.45. Office
9.45 Opened heavy post.
Dictated Mrs C. Talk
Mr Miller re his Norgate.
Lunch Carrick C. Harris
Looked at Bristol vases
Mrs Ralfs. Call from Captain
Bird for Newmarket friday
Signed letters. C. telephoned
Going to film this evening
with Virginia Butterworth
Sorted old suggestion files
till 7.0 Unwell. Home. [illegible]
Boiling bath. Dinner C., Nannie &
Marcia up & having meals in
servants' rooms. I do not
feel at all well with much
catarrh in throat. Spent
evening reading Mrs Eddy. A.
Dinner settled & sympathetic &
ie. to Ridgeways Tay which she
must work.

Cool & grey

Tuesday, April 2

Woke 5.30 & did not sleep again properly but did not [illegible]. Rested fairly pleasantly. Office 9.40. Conference of economy plan & [illegible] on Bean the P.M. [illegible] dictated letters to M. [illegible] about [illegible] expenses. [illegible] Temple about C. in an American [illegible] Ophthalmology. [illegible] [illegible] for [illegible] at Smith [illegible]. To luncheon Horseshoe Counter. Home & met Bean at my [illegible]. C. [illegible] & cheese. A. came in & [illegible] had just met Lady Violet & Raymond. She had been giving luncheon with Mark. Mr Bean trimmed the trees in [illegible] of C. C. came out [illegible] home to go to luncheon at [illegible] 3.0 C. Back to office. Signed letters, worked on Newmarket ills till 6.50. Home dinner A & Pinker who went to [illegible]

G. dined w. Lee & [illegible] to [illegible] Jessie Mathews.
Pam
Mon.
Family

Cool & rainy

Wednesday, April 3

Getting into habit of
early rising. Office 9.30
Lines extracted. [illegible] his
arm no no good. Cause West
rest of [illegible]. Bad catarrh in
throat. Dictated Miss C. letters
to Tommie etc. Worked on
Royal Nurses about illustrations
Sykes letters. Lunch Garrick
Jack Taylor. Long case for
Cyril Drummond who signed
agreement for his remainder in
home trust. Bath. Dinner C.
who was depressed after long
talk with Violet Bonham
Carter. Also she always is after
[illegible] with a bear. I feel
ill with bad [illegible] cough.
Spent evening reading Mrs Eddy
but did not [illegible].
Mrs Eddy's assertions are
[illegible] plain. Went to bed
early and was in bed at
eleven o'clock.

Another damp cool day.

Thursday, April 4

Up and dressed - Custard. Wh Heard left in dinner as usual. C. stuck in bed & A. not up when I left for office 9.10. Reached office 9.30. Dictated Miss Cook about Garden Rats. Long talk Mr Newman about Mr Wagner book. Call fr. Cong. Burckelen staff who spoke of visit to Ernest Bibin. Lunch Garrick. Roderick Jones. Told him about Marguerite divorce. Signed letters. Read Mrs Evans. Long talk Blackadder. Lost one of 3 guns. Last game. Home C & I to Alhambra Theatre to hear Mark Hume mick lecture on his German experiences. Stuff but ~~[illegible]~~ convincing. Met Col H. Elliot & Henry Fletcher. ~~At~~ Hotel [illegible]. Sherry etc. Ashley Dukes Bath. Dinner C. & A. Talked of Lincoln's China. Read Mr Eddy

Sunny early morning
Friday, April 5
Catarrh in throat better for
not smoking. Office 9.30
Dictated. Read McNeill's article
& talked to Ridley about it.
Worked on Royal Newmarket
proof & sent it to Lionel Edwards
went on with Royal Newmarket
and read proof 10°C – 20°C.
Corrected Infantry accounts
after big lunch. Charles Read
signed letters. Dictated letters to
Lady Geoghegan & Till and Reynolds
G. & T. Harriss, Marie, Tigger A. and
Mark Bonham Carter all foregathered
at Victoria 5.4 to Amberley. Went
with Don to see Kitchen Garden –
talk Charley. Two of the evacuated
Children have German measles.
Bath. Dinner. Letter fr. Catharine
about Freddie's estate. Letter fr.
C's mother that she has written to
Mrs Hawk that she can have
Cottage. Read New Statesman.
Mark and A sat in little sitting
room with us but I went to
bed at 11 & C. soon after. They
sat up indefinitely!

[illegible] Pleasant [illegible]

Saturday, April 6

Up early. Bronchial outbreak continues. Felt rather ill all day. Before breakfast talked to Seattle [illegible] and talk about putting in company water etc. After breakfast I talk Hammond about telephone points in Half Tea Cottage. Talk Charles about chickens and vegetables etc. Called on Mrs [illegible] and went over her cottage. She is better [illegible] I will not let her lease Half Tea Cottage and refuses my offer to [illegible] there. Called Pris all about painting mirrors, frames and [illegible] [illegible]. Weather [illegible]. After luncheon talk Chauf. C. and I got lamp from Studio and I changed [illegible] in N. Room. Also changed lamp in table that would not light. [illegible] all afternoon. ~~[illegible]~~. Built fire in N. Room. C. and I tea. A [illegible] [illegible] Sun. C. and I walk [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] ill. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] reading [illegible]

Amberley

Sunday, April 7

[2nd Sunday after Easter.

Walked about – Mr Hunt the cottage. [illegible]

Breakfast – Alison & went to Mr Plummer to tell him his [illegible] from the [illegible] [illegible] Tolmie [illegible] lent & said he and his wife had decided that they couldnt afford the cottage. Shimmings appeared on his way back to the chapel from Mass at Houghton. Talk Mrs Hunt about it. I wanted to give cottage to Amberley working man. Talk Charles about [illegible] prices etc. He thinks [illegible] it. Went out [illegible] to [illegible] living. Took C. at Church. Talk with Vicar. C. & I to pick daffodils. Lunch. Looked at Mark Wyndham's bust with Tolmie who likes it. C. liked it. Mr Debenham of Billingsgate Fish Market father of Celia C. says he was a [illegible]! I looked at [illegible] for [illegible]. Took up [illegible] W.C. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] N. [illegible] C. & I [illegible]

London cold + rainy

Monday, April 8

Cold rainy day. Felt tired
and ill. Office 9:30.
Miss Combe's brother thought to
be dying. She is going to see him this
afternoon. Spencer's dictation
Talk [illegible] Skin Dr., also
Mr Millie. Dictated a few letters
to Mr. C. P. [illegible] + Colonel
about Hino. Lunch [illegible]
Read Knut Hamsun's "Look
Back on Happiness" Certainly
[illegible] of [illegible]. Dictated a couple
of letters to Miss Doane Byers
and went on reading Hamsun.
Very tired with headache and
can't make much of a day.
Home + rested. Saw [illegible] bright
on front but did not see her as I
who came up this A.M. + telephoned to
me on arrival. I was quite worn-
out to getting for dinner — even
Dined on fruit and read Mrs
Eddy all the evening. It looks
as if Christians and establishing the
plausibility of the origins of
Xian science rather than its destruction.

Tuesday, April 9

Up early did not see A. Office 9.30
Mrs Cook saw her. Brother Dawkins
Feel better but still bronchial
catarrh. Dictated. Mrs C. Tel.
fr. C. just arrived. Denmark
invaded. Tel. fr. A. Copenhagen
taken. Norway invaded. Cable
fr. ~~[illegible]~~ Paul & Beatrice re his
wife to forward money.
Cable from 10/= Cast for Yarmouth
for. Shakespeare portrait.
Talk Radley re Knut Hamsun
Lunch Garrick. Rivington. Read
Royal Newmarket. Odam gave
food. Tell assistant of Tom
He did not leave till 5.30
Walked home. Papers announce
German occupation of Denmark
& Norway. I feel that this is
Germany's answer to Winston
Churchill's challenge to neutrals to
come in on our side or be damned
Talk A. & A. Butt. Dinner G.A. &
Ann Taylor who looks like expecting
a baby. Read Mrs Eddy. Bed 11.30

Wednesday, April 10

Up early. Talk C. Office 9.45. Talk Miller about Company articles. Talk S.A.T & Paddy re Knut Hamsun's book. Talk Paddy Hind translation agreement. Spent most of morning revising [illegible] manuscript proof. Back from L. Edwards. Call from young spotty faced artist who did that skillful head of Young Walker in Post [illegible] Tribune. Lunch [illegible] & Am Consulate to execute document concerning F's estate. Dictated Mrs. C. Call from Lawrence Pollinger about Ellen Wilkinson book and Ann Watkins arrangement for placing her books in U.S.A. Call fr. Mrs. [illegible] about [illegible]. Signed letters Dr. C. [illegible], Sibyl, Buck De la Warr, Sir J. Chancellor, Sackis clerk, Walter Creighton, Rainer von Hofmannsthal, Cath C. & the Morrises. A. [illegible] & Jay [illegible] Mark B.C. C. & I dinner. Read Miss Eddy

Stiff neck

Thursday, April 11

Woke 5 o'c and couldn't sleep again. Must break the bad habit. Bergen & Trondhjem occupied by Germans & Oslo harbours. Great hope & tension. In Navy office 9:45. Dictated Mr. C.J. Park Miller. Talked about his Post of Director. He came to sign his Navy papers. Dictated Dist. C. Work on Ambulance accounts for R.B.C. C. called and we went to luncheon at Etoile. Finished accounts and dictated Mr. Cook. Call fr. Mr. Platts and Harrington. W. Dressed Law and Saint in Kerditts on Causes. Walked to Euston Road & bus to Park Place. Dr. Sapon examined me, heart lungs, blood pressure perfect. Chin & Gums throat. Gave me sedative & tonic & recommended holiday. Home dinner A. showed his photographs of my mother. C. went back to Ambulance this P.M. Finished New Eng &

make address truth
cost me all am at Richmond.

Cool & rainy

Friday, April 12

Up early. Bus to office arrived 9.40. Papers with stories [illegible] of yesterday. Claim of [illegible] naval [illegible] etc. Drowsed a bit. Brief directors meeting. Talk after S.A.T. Worked on Mrs Eddy. Started for error in Amberley accounts finally found by Mr Nailer. Worked on Mrs Eddy. Lunch Exp. Dairy. Hunted about for cheese & finally got some in Percy Street. Read proofs Mrs Kinel's book at [illegible] & signed letters. Hurried off to Victoria & 5.4 to Amberley. A. Pinkie / Ivan Moffatt, John Shuckburgh on the train. I slept and we all met at Amberley. I walked fr. station & G. & I went to Black Horse and bought a bottle of whiskey & got a biscuit for Don. Bath, shaving, dinner and G. & young people to dance at Wiltons. I read [illegible] proof and linen carried settle to studio and sofa to [illegible] hall

Saturday, April 13

Unusually up late. Saw Hammond about chimney in Holly Tree & Oak Tree cottages. Saw Chumley about keeping the various store rooms in order including his own old bed I have had made for him. C. Humphrey has finished tiling and started to clear the garage, an awful dump of rubbish. Luncheon. Went on with work in greenery. Tea. Talk Chumley and dug [illegible] dirt out of [illegible] [illegible] from fork in evergreen [illegible]. Went to Venables [illegible] came over and lanced abscess on Joan's chin. Joan had been in bed since early afternoon and did not come down again. After dinner worked away hard at paint [illegible] in Warwick field. Finished [illegible] & read puzzles by young people. I went to bed before 12 but others sat up for the midnight news. [illegible] to sleep.

Sunday, April 14

No cold water started up
Sargent & Charles [3rd Sunday after Easter.
but - no result. Tried to
cool C's bolt fr. jugs on wash
hand stand. After late
breakfast, took Price Allen
and brought back C's mirror
painted pink. Mrs Caspari
came to look up A.B.C.
C & I gathered armful of wild
cherry & other branches for
[illegible] in hall. C's knee is
bound down all day comfortable
but - with bandage at clinic -
collected dead branches & brought
them to wood pile in barn.
Nap in chair in sitting room.
Children brought primroses.
Tea. C & I [illegible] and [illegible]
in [illegible] and then walked along
with hedge to Stallman's copse.
saw C [illegible] Butler [illegible] alone
[illegible] Church [illegible] wonderful
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Finished Royal Haymarket

Left Amberley 9.10 Train

Monday, April 15

left 7.38 Had already
got out old passage &
that - John Shuckburgh
who left by 7.28.
Car by [illegible] to C.O. Comfortable
journey & stayed in train to
Victoria & arrived about
11.20. Call for [illegible]
Worked until. Talk with [illegible]
who says he can't get into
Royal Artillery & is [illegible]
like Infantry. Advised him to
go to [illegible] and see
what job [illegible]
from Mrs Willis and take
Mr Parley and [illegible]
Royal [illegible] Mi. Drew
up [illegible] matter. Lunch
E.P. Dairy. ~~[illegible]~~ Transferred
[illegible] Royal N. Dictated
Dictated. N. C. [illegible] Maria [illegible]
be informed. Tel. 31 Alfred [illegible]
W. [illegible] Glasgow Keith. Home [illegible]
[illegible] fruit. Dinner w A & [illegible]

[illegible]

Tuesday, April 16

Up early and kept appointment with Freeland for fixing dentist plate which I left with him. Office 10:30. A general staff meeting and [illegible] of possible economies. Dictated. few others. Lunch Chedder Court - Talk Pollie about note for jacket of Glasgow [illegible]. Call Yr. House Stevens and [illegible] talk about translation of request to Tackle D m. Sign letters. Felt chill and throat. dark lines [illegible] again. Office till 7:45 Tel Franklin's office. I was there at F[illegible] 5:30. Between there and father plate. G. up from Arundel. Talked about A's portrait which looks like a punk pig. Dinner

G.

A. dining w/ Lorraine Emery + going to Jazbo.

Cold sunny

Wednesday, April 17

Slept till called first time
for months. News seems to
show Germans well into
[illegible] + when can they be
kept out? Office 10.40
Chose [illegible] before [illegible]
[illegible] bound. Dictated Mr. C
Met G. Crosier as a [illegible] Eagle
luncheon. Speeches by
Nevile Henderson and Lady
Wrench. Nevile Henderson
seemed a nice and humorous
[illegible] of not [illegible] handy
[illegible] brilliant. Back to office
R. to Italian Consulate to tell
about Maria's return to
Italy as she feels she must go.
Dictated something about
transfer of my shares to G.
Tell of enquiry. Call for
Hardcastle about [illegible].
Signed letters. Worked on [illegible]
worked as to Nellie [illegible]
working [illegible]. [illegible] to think
[illegible]
[illegible]

Nicaragua: (dues + union) [illegible]

Still Cold

O Thursday, April 18

Rather disturbed night but slept fairly late & felt well. Office 9.45. Dictated. Call from [illegible] about jacket for Blegvad Lubke. Tel. fr. Mme Lafargue whose book has been taken by Hutchinson. Lunch with Paul Biddle and got him on tobacco. Told him about book-thing; hope he will not emulate them w. letter of caution. Tel. fr. Q. staying till late then. Says that Alfred and Bl are going to China Nov 1, and sliding together with others tonight. Long talk Paddle about Knut Hamsun book which he wants to publish regardless of result. Talk Miller about financial [illegible] last. Read Lola Kinel stuff no good. Walked home. Dinner at home. W. Cameron Ennis in re Mr Cannis death.

Cold & bright

Friday, April 19

Slept heavily. Breakfast
10.15 Office 11. oc. Talk
S.A.T. adv. & news for Synd
mainly Glasgow Rubble & Iron
Castra. Dictated Mrs Cook
Letters to Jones Lola Kennel
Luncheon Bubbles Hutchinson
Carrick. To paint shop
about diapers. Went.
Mint for Amalia. Synd
letters. Drew up adv. for Synd
Glasgow Rubble. Met A. at
Victoria and we both came down
to Amberley by 5.4. Mallinsons at
Station. Talk G. Brig bath.
Dinner. Listened D. [illegible]. Read
weekly papers. Worked on +
[illegible] Spiegel and finished it
at 12. Up to bed. G talks in
about trouble over Children be-
cause Nannie told her to
write these complaints and then
Mrs Bygrave said it I edumated
apology

Saturday, April 20

Awoke early up [illegible] late. Read papers. To see Charley Humphrey at work on Holly Tree Cottage. Talk Joad who had brought someone down to see his cottage. Talk Vicar who followed me into orchard. Met G. gathering daffodils. Cut branches of Ilex, broken by storm. Rosalind called but would not have any lunch. She had driven her father who was hunting. Had brought her luncheon and eaten it. A. & Nannie had gone to Chichester to Sussex Choir festival at Lewes. Worked sawing branches in wind. Strained heart. Back for tea. Rested in chair. Brief bath. Dinner. Wireless. A & I did +word puzzle.

Lovely warm day.

Sunday, April 21

Lovely mild day with sun-

[SUMMER TIME COMMENCES.
Set Clocks Forward.

[4th Sunday after Easter.

and [illegible]. W. [illegible].
Go I to church. Spoke
to Evelyn & [illegible]. Vita
[illegible] in the garden. A & I [illegible]
wood & brought up benches
I had cut. Luncheon.
Allen came to the studio
[illegible] works and we ~~[illegible]~~ decided
to [illegible] them. Go up to [illegible]
G. [illegible] made [illegible]
~~with [illegible]~~ I seem [illegible]
to [illegible] it [illegible]. I am
not [illegible] of myself. A.
I built up fires & I had a
nap before tea. After tea
C. A & I went for walk
on downs & along [illegible] & back
by [illegible] Road. Bus
[illegible]. Dinner. Read [illegible]
[illegible]. Experimented with
old oak. Unconstructed [illegible]

[illegible]

Another lovely warm day

C. lunch with Leo.

Monday, April 22

To bed too late last night as usual. Talk C. & Nannie about Mrs Byfrances attempt to make children apologise for their letter to Nannie. C. & I, & A. up to London by 9.10. Office 11.15. Dictated. Mr Clark. Long talk [illegible] about [illegible]. Lunch Cannock. Bought [illegible] [illegible] tea [illegible] Newport Ct 2/-. Called Clark's 51 [illegible] Hopkins/ & [illegible] offered [illegible]. Called 31 [illegible] Squire about [illegible] Long [illegible] for Mr [illegible] Kirk [illegible] Mr Dennis N[illegible] about [illegible] apt. He is at Reuters Building. 5 good letters. Long talk about [illegible] S.A.T. [illegible]. Long talk Mrs Powell after [illegible]. Dinner & C.A. & I [illegible]

Grey cool morning but

Tuesday, April 23

weather definitely agreeable:
Up early. Office [ST. GEORGE'S DAY.
9.40. W. [illegible] about last
[illegible] film. W. Townsend
apologises for breaking appoint-
ment & Duffy. 7.0 attended Tab
& W. Edward Hutchinson on death
of Eleanor. Talk Bradley about
Glasgow Kirk's adv. & about
Dan tells etc. Call from
Wells for Wolf jacket. Read
Violet Dunsbury's Synopsis. Good
Talk S.A.T. Typed page to Dom
[illegible] shows [illegible]
in window of antiquarian
book shop opp. Buy [illegible]
[illegible] but [illegible] some good
things. Dictated signed letter
Call from [illegible] who
left [illegible] for us [illegible]
[illegible]. Drew up adv. for Glasgow
Kirk in Observer. To antique
dealer & looked at bills [illegible]
home. Correct [illegible]. Bird bath
[illegible] G.A. [illegible] has [illegible]
[illegible] to Admiralty [illegible]

The 3rd Tues [illegible]

Rainy day but mild

Wednesday, April 24

Up early but read papers & talked with A. & office only at 10 o'c. Call fr. [illegible] going many abroad from [illegible] Dictated. Mrs. [illegible]. Talk Ridley who wants 10 days more holiday before joining army. Lunch with A. & [illegible] and Marguerite Scotts. Met [illegible] as I was [illegible] [illegible] says that Clementine & Frances Acheson are great friends. Dictated etc. Miller & I went to see Rutherford about our summer [illegible] air raid [illegible]. Back to office. Signed letters. Home [illegible]. Called for C. at Freda's: discussing Archie Adams' [illegible] Freda had diphtheria [illegible] & Sib [illegible]. [illegible] before C. & I dinner. A. dining out. [illegible] met [illegible] at [illegible]. Read French novel

Thursday, April 25

Up late. Office 10.30.
Dictated Miss C. Tel. C. Evans
about Dunsany's Jorkens.
Tel. Burlington about Calis adv.
Worked on Dunsany &
Lamburg advs. Drew up
copy for Glasgow Keeler letter.
Lunch Holborn. Stopped at
antique shops & looked for
C's mirror & ~~and~~ dessert
plates — bought shell.
Worked on Glasgow advs.
Talk Billy about his salary.
Drew up copy for [illegible] Eastho-
advs. Wanted home, liked to
get home before A. left for
party at the Ivy with Oliver
Lyttelton. Got apple shears. Got
letter to Burlington & my
[illegible] newspaper [illegible]
[illegible] and proof. Home
bath. Quiet dinner. A. left her
love to me by Margaret.
Read 3 m of Last 5 m: Worried
about A. but heard her come in about
2 A.M.

Warm Sunny morning

Friday, April 26

Up early. Walked thro' gardens. Lovely Magnolias in big gardens. Wandered about St. Jean [illegible]. [illegible] Blyth says has no work but enjoys letters. Office 10.30. Talk Ashley about Higgins's labels. Talk G.A.T. about Jewish books. Dictated all morning. Corrected Adv. proofs. Lunch Paul Beadle & bought him tobacco. Checked more adv. & signed letters. Bus to Victoria, held up at booking office & nearly missed train and [illegible] to get papers. Met A on train. We both slept. King woman let us have an E. Standard to take to family but I am afraid she only meant to lend it. G. disappointed that A. sounds preoccupied and had nothing to tell about party. Cross with her over distemper. Wanted to make fires [illegible]. After dinner + word puzzle. Bed late.

Lovely Spring Day

Saturday, April 27

Up late. T & see Charley Humphrey who is getting on wonderfully in Holly Tree Cottage. Decided on windows at back and upper entrance lobby. Talk Charley about garden etc. Then C. & I planned flower beds A and brought up between [illegible] wood where I pruned ilex lots. Filled in windows in barn w. brick. Lunch & studied distemper. Decided on C's white w. dash of vermilion for upstairs north bedroom and [illegible] and my plan which for 3 sitting rooms, North Room & dining room. Worked all afternoon making plans on floors & [illegible] for sitting room and C's bedroom & [illegible] them to [illegible] & [illegible]. Then [illegible]. Made up [illegible]. C. [illegible] much attention. C. went over place w. Charley planning flowers. Charley is keeping everything [illegible] neater. Talked [illegible] about turfing round cottage. Bring bath. Dinner. Read [illegible] novel & [illegible]. A.

Rainy Day

Sunday, April 28

Up early. Day of [illegible].

[5th Sunday after Easter.

[illegible] urging A. to go to church. I wanted her to go but went about it the wrong way, nobody need go to church. G. [illegible] said I [illegible] [illegible] her up. G. & A. dressed for church, but I persuaded G. to stay behind & help me with mirrors. Took old oak one to our cottage sitting room and brought my old mantel one to sitting room. Talk chiefly about getting rid of Lottie's furniture & china. A. helped me w. mirrors after church. G. came back fr. Mrs Buckham because she announced that she was taking Lettie & Rosie away. In her case a Teacher's jealousy of Nelmie. I went [illegible] with Lef. and G went at once to Mrs Buckham and told her if she took two children away she must take all. Too angry to eat at luncheon – treating these poor little children like animals; [illegible] on money as: A. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] & N. [illegible]. The Matthews, Young Squires, Wilson [illegible], Alleyne

Awfully dull morning & cold. Wired G. [illegible] first - all the children or none. Met Pat [illegible] at station & Betty Mather & [illegible] Mrs Squire & [illegible] [illegible] also Tally M. & Mrs. [illegible] Sallows. Then to station. [illegible] train. Read "Son of Lost Son" Jewish novel very good. Read on the train. Dictated Miss C. Call for Alfred by telephone & in bed with bad headache. Miss L. has written [illegible] [illegible] that all children can stay until [illegible] [illegible]. Dictated a draft reply. [illegible] up Mrs Crosthw[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Chapters [illegible] talk [illegible] Layton. Signed letters. Read Tribune. Dictated a bit. Hair cut & treated [illegible]. [illegible] letters. Home. Trees in garden blooming beautifully. Cherries. Dinner & [illegible]. Read Bruno's installment. Tel. A. G. letter

Things settling down

Cool & grey

Tuesday, April 30

Up early. Pleased w.
Gaston. Office by bus
9.45. C. [illegible] last night
with strong [illegible] in [illegible] and
throat & lower brain.
Dictated Mrs Coast. Call
fr. Mr McKenzie [illegible]
about her Standing Bank.
Call fr. C. & looked at
Secretary job. She does not
like. She is [illegible] teacher
with 1 dg [illegible]. Lunch
[illegible]. Dictated Mrs C.
Dictated Mrs Dorn Byers.
Talk S.A.T. about holiday.
Worked on adv. Dictated
To Mrs Potts & bought
Easy Vic Papier Mache
boxes 2 for 10/- Home tea
C. pleased. Talk about [illegible]
situation. C. & [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
headache. A's patient [illegible]
picture but gives tablets
to her. Bath dinner. Read American
anti-Nazi book.

Another Awful damp day.

Wednesday, May 1

Saw Mr Guy & Hy. Smith about Chimneys. Told him to repair. Office 10 o'c Dictated Call for Burnings wi. [illegible] labels. Corrected proofs from Cass Ltd advs. Dictated long letter to Ida Rubenstein. To Police Court wi. SAT Guiness to meat pasty at local Pub. Our Counsel managed witnesses well and Magistrate dismissed case. Dictated Mrs Dora Byrne. Corrected advs. Worked on Mrs Eddy. Mr Miles showed me how to switch on light. Revised letter to Ida Rubenstein. Walked home. Rather tired. Talk with A. out to dinner and home late. C. & film Marseillaise - very good. I stayed at home and read novel Kick Bride

Thursday, May 2

ASCENSION DAY.

Sent Pins

Dull damp, but fair for sun
[illegible] & air.
+ [illegible] W. [illegible]
Up early. Discussed [illegible]
situation w. E. & also
A's plans for dance. Met
Miss [illegible] in bus. Got all
pictures Lewis & [illegible]. Left
Nannie's album [illegible] at [illegible].
Sifted Spectator adv., res. [illegible]
Te. Hopkins [illegible] re [illegible]
Tel. [illegible] re Nasturtiums.
Dictated Mrs [illegible], Miss D.B.
Luncheon. Wm. Brooke with
Paul Beadle. Bought him his
tobacco as usual. To [illegible]
re. E's [illegible] pictures. [illegible]
[illegible] top of Shaftesbury Avenue
and had pleasant talk.
To Anderson & Watkin. Spoke
on advice [illegible]
about Nasturtiums.
Back to office 4.48 found
[illegible] Mohammed [illegible]
about [illegible]
Signed letters. Hair shampooed [illegible]
[illegible] dandruff. Walk [illegible]
[illegible]. Bath before dinner.

Sunny warm

Friday, May 3

Exercise in G's bathroom
in own A. 7.45 breakfast
w. Cuffey. Admiral Spec
to strike [illegible]. Talk
Ches in Garden. Jo. Office 10 o'c
Dictated Mr C. letter to
President Kennedy. Tel. fr.
Jenkins. R. Steel tried to
Guffy. Cate on rain [illegible]
Cull fr. Cous Alfred Joseph
Lun. & dictation. A.W.H. back
W.S. President Kennedy about
Mrs Eddy. Out to lunch 2.45
Exp. Dairy. To Ernie's for
Nannie's necklace. Met Bob
Asquith. Office signed letters.
M. fixed telephone for our Return
to Victoria in good time. Slept
in train. Drank in front of home
G. sitting in loggia. Tea.
Bath & Dinner. Read papers.
Situation w. children settling
down.

Lovely warm spring day.

Saturday, May 4

Breakfast 9.30. Alan finishing distempering upstairs C's [illegible] by white & vermilion. To Holly Tree cottage; Charlie Humphrey has made lobby larder, & window over larder. Saw Charlie Scott about Macrocarpa hedge & decided not to plant cypress till Autumn. Talk Johnson and electrician about cottage & filling out forms. My new blue distemper has arrived from London. Lunch. Put mirror back in Oak Tree Cottage sitting room. Helped Nanny pick out nails from child's shoe. Tea w. C. on loggia. Sh bicycled to see Vida, our children had been there - bathing. Rested in chair. Very tired. Bath. After dinner broadcasts from America [illegible]

Amberley. Warm & Sunny

Sunday, May 5

1 Sunday after Ascension

Up early. C. sat on loggia to keep cool & I [illegible] went bathe to keep warm. W. Cor. letter to Ben Hamilton as I had tried & Blythe. I wanted when I called to a quie 10 days ago. Stopped to telephone to A. who said she had had a good time at the dance last night. Went on with my letter to the people passed on the way to church. C. read papers. I talked to Charley about planting cypress, and cones to Madrecomb trees that have died from frost and must be replaced. C. & I took walk up the hill to Downs after tea. C. called features to studio and then tried it in sitting room. Before lunch we talked to Fitzhughs who had come to see their children, & Alice who had come fr. Stonington and has no [illegible]. C. will get over. Talked to Charley about [illegible] after tea in loggia. C. & I walked about place and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

After dinner listened to wireless & finished [illegible]

Amberley Lovely morning

Monday, May 6

Up early & talked to

ROYAL ACADEMY OPENS.

Phie Allen about distempering fireplaces and renovating plastered walls of laundry. C. & I. journeyed to London by 9.10 Talked to Shuckburgh on station platform. Slept in train and felt better. Dictated Mrs C. and Mr Ceffy & Mr Doug Byers and went through accumulation on desk. Lunch Worcester Cannons & brown bread sandwich. Long call fr Ronald Kirkbride who is writing play re: Wells and knows Moura. Signed letters. Hair shampoo. Walked out of way home; looked at C's window plate in Sycamore place. Pinkie to dinner and got name of Major Whittaker of Bristol who owns Caxymont by Tomwellers. C. and girls to film. Read by fire in Sheldon room. Had Mother Greeks for sake 2 days. Always put my tried. Bed 11.30 before C. & B. Came back.

Lonely Day

Tuesday, May 7

Up early. Discussed accounts
w. C. & figured up coal
bill for father in farm
office 10 o'c. Met M. Skinner
& fetched Mrs Dean Byers,
Mrs C. Looked over Royalty
statements. C. getting Alice's
confirmation dress & going
back to night. Lunch Walton
left travelling clock at Commerce
[illegible]. T o at Kin's shop looking
for mirrors. Syfed letter
Dall fr. M. Buckland's ~~[illegible]~~
meeting in Church paper
which I saw. Syed wrote
letter. Called Dr. Schuler about
Alfred's double chin. Talked
fit ½ hour telling him everything
that came into one head.
Probably he thought me a queer
crank. I thought him a nice
looking old fashioned family
doctor. Walked home. Figured
with [illegible] [illegible] for [illegible] E.
Clark. Dinner home [illegible]. A.
worked on [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible]

Government nearly defeated. 3 Cheers!

Wednesday, May 8

Wakened a bit after a damp night. Sore throat arose. Up late. Office 10.30. Call from young J. Kabaree journalist friend of Trevor Thomas who has written a book. Talk S.A. alternation to R.N.Y. about U.S. claim for Kinnaird together. Declined Mrs Dora Byrne: Lunch Langham Bobby Hutchinson & his wife who was Richard Le Gallienne's daughter. Seemed intelligent and attractive. Dictated Mrs Cook. Worked on Mc Edgy book. Walked slowly to Dorchester looking in antique shop windows. Talk Sir C. Clark about Bruce Lockhart. Home dinner A. & Onkie who went to film. I spent evening packing books & case for Ashbaldy. Sore throat. Tired, long day.

Lovely Day.

Thursday, May 9

Looks as if Chamberlain
resigned today. & Halifax
takes his place — no better.
Office 9:30. Dictated Miss
Duffy, Miss Cook. Hair
Shampoo. Luncheon Paul
Beadle. Bought picture nails
Matthews. Signed letters.
working on MS diary.
Caught 5.4 Victoria & down
to Amberley w: A. taking
bag out blue vase. Slept in
train. G. in lovely new white-
sitting room with apple blossom
in a white jar. Dinner in
hall. Spent evening sorting
books and putting them to
sitting room bookcase.
Evening paper, all seem anti-
Chamberlain. Labour would
never serve under him. To
bed about midnight.

Lovely Day. Amberley

Friday, May 10

Sargent called me
with news that Germany
had invaded Holland and
Belgium & this news held
our minds all day. Broad
cast warning of air raids in
England being rather likely.
Incendiary bombs actually
dropped near Canterbury.
Ordered coat & cords for
Ellery. To see C. Hume [illegible]
Cottage. Distemper lad
dug around Brown. Price
Allen & Willy worked on dining
room all morning and we
got the things back in order
in the afternoon. I went for very
slow walk on downs w. Don.
After lunch, took books & slides
to A. To bed – rested unusually.
Tea in loggia. A. & Sargent to [illegible] to
fetch Horatio. Carl Gustav been along

The flowering trees. Swallows arriving. After dinner heard

Chamberlain speech of resignation. I think good. Churchill premier.

Lovely day. T.L. S.S.T.

To Mr Saturday, May 11 C. Humphrey

~~[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]~~
~~[illegible] [illegible]~~ at work on
cottage gave him his cheque.
spent looking after the [illegible] that
Has. A.S. I worked about
pines and cleared out rather
supplies. walked about place
with Horatio & got her advice
about lawns. After lunch [illegible]
[illegible] & silhouette [illegible]
paid in sitting room. To bed
and slept. Down to tea on
loggia. worked on sitting
room grand walls trying 8 5
new pictures. Mr Clement
was defeating includes
Chamberlain but perhaps
only temporarily lost [illegible]
his followers. To [illegible]
[illegible] & borrowed lot but
no good in walls. [illegible]
[illegible] with small chest.
After dinner sat in N. Room.

Lovely Day. Last year apple [illegible]

Sunday, May 12

[Whitsunday]

Breakfast 9.30. Illustrated paper for main news. Considered appraisal of new cabinet. Told Mr. Pride Allen about making holes in cement walls for the pictures. All to [illegible] and A. & I stayed to communion. C. & I walk Rackham Road. A. overtook us on bicycle & met V. Cox who joined us on way back & we listened to wireless together in front of Thatched House. Lunched and apple tart from our own apples for the last time. Worked in sitting room, walls and finally hung sampler over desk. Tried to work in North Room in curtains drawn, but interrupted by Jeremy who came to borrow a tennis racquet. Upstairs & had long sleep. C. & I, A. & [illegible] tea and Mary. Lord Newton spoke of [illegible] w. [illegible] in 1916. Lord & Lady Chatfield, all [illegible]

[illegible] Cheapest day C.t 11, [illegible]

[illegible] wonderful [illegible]

Cold morning

Monday, May 13

BANK HOLIDAY

Breakfast 9 o c. News serious but Holland and Belgium resisting firmly. W. Diary. Hammered away on walls & hung pictures! Down to village & [illegible] Tomatoes and bought ~~seeds~~. Again worked again on pictures. Had out an emery stone for Lottie to sharpen tools. Finally got pictures up. Walked up the hill and met E with Dr. walking along the ledge. Luncheon. Then [illegible] in [illegible] & silhouettes in North passage upstairs. Rested in bed. Jenny to tea. E., Hunter & I drove to Wiggonholt Common and saw the bluebells picked a lot of wild asparagus. Hunter brought big pruned branches from wood will be pleasant [illegible] U.S. Among [illegible] Ernest Bevin are included in the Cabinet. Dinner. Listened to [illegible] account of Dutch Royal family in England. [illegible].

Lovely Day. Battle for Brussels

Tuesday, May 14

Children arranged a holdup by
[illegible] Nanny. Miss Biggers
famous. Pictures Tatiana & [illegible]
[illegible] at Van Swearingen house
in [illegible]. Read story
recommended by Duncan "Mother
of a Nun". Opened carpet and
tried it in sitting room with C.
Cleaned India ink and painted
frame of Queen Elizabeth portrait
that had been eaten by wood
beetle. Listened to news. Hear
Holland made her surrender.
after luncheon fixed [illegible] for
[illegible] C to Washington. Told
[illegible] about work. To
see Humphrey & Nanna
about needs of cottage. To
bed & nap. Up for tea. Jerome
came to see A. by his [illegible]
suit. To village w. J. for C.
Cash cheque. Tried Edward
Megaw's vase on mantelpiece
in sitting room. C had [illegible]
Dance. Sat up [illegible]
trying to make it go. + [illegible] A.

[illegible] ambulances. [illegible]

Wednesday, May 15

Holland has capitulated. What
else could she do?
Up early. A. & I to London
by 9.10. Spoke to Sargent
afterwards - volunteering for Corps
broadcast - by M. & Eden for
local defence. But [illegible]
[illegible] as far as Horsham.
Office 11.20. Cass re: Thorpe
[illegible]. [illegible] afternoon
Dictated [illegible] C. Talk S.A.T.
[illegible] upset by [illegible]
Talk Mr. Mills about staff
& prospects. Walked w/
Eddy [illegible]. Lunch. [illegible]
~~Dictated Mrs D.T.B.~~ [illegible]
Mrs Eddy. Talk about staff
Mr S.A.T. [illegible] to apply
dandruff still bad. [illegible]
stopped to cut off some dead [illegible]
in garden. France [illegible]
[illegible]. [illegible]
children [illegible] left [illegible]. [illegible] to
[illegible] back for Italy. [illegible]
[illegible]. [illegible]. [illegible]

Pleasant Spring day. Stopped smoking

Thursday, May 16

Took C. office 10 o'C. Dictated Miss D. B. Acklin Mas for two sympathetic calls writing all morning. Filled in citation form for Harvard Officers Tel John Lehmann. Car for Elfelda who went into Museum while waiting for lunch. When she came back we walking up and down till Paul Bilkey arrived. Lunch at Boat Restaurant. A & I to Soap place but they had moved. Sorted letters and transferred Eddy connections. To Victoria & got Italian vase & took it to Dey St. for Charles to send to mend. Next found they had moved! Took it back to office & then took Eddy Ms. Home to work on. Found that C. & A. had gone to King Lear. I worked all evening on Eddy transferring corrections.

Friday, May 17.

A. going to Washington.
Office 10 o'c. Dictated
Mrs C. & Mrs. D.B.
Talk S.A.T. & Mr Mather about
having Nattaji and Manners for
American trade to avoid
Remington claims. Lunch
Garrick Cadbury Bright. Called
at Mackleros for Dick picture
not ready. Back. Mrs Palli
about antiques. Read Mrs
Ellen Wilkinson's article.
Goodbye to Mrs Hutchins. To be
married tomorrow. Met C. & Nannie
at Victoria & 5.4 to Amberley.
Robert, Betty & John Mathias
got off train with us. Call from
Blackmore who want to take
the Cottage after all. Bath. After
dinner read [illegible]. C. had
personal call fr. Elinor who
wants to come here indefinitely!
Listened to news and music
on wireless. Battle in Belgium
seems critical. Bed 12 M.

+ [illegible] cool spring day

Saturday, May 18

Breakfast 7.45. Bureau [illegible] and cleaned. [illegible] frames. Very [illegible] [illegible] Eric [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] North [illegible]. Called Miss Dunn up + told her [illegible] as to Plummer. Talk [illegible] telephoned pays water rate. Talk about [illegible] W. [illegible]. Mrs [illegible] called + talked to C. for a hour and she would come + the telephone [illegible] - that we lived too far from station. Paid C. [illegible] [illegible] Washington on stairs helped by C. who held ladder. C. + I down to [illegible] + then back to [illegible] move - her + her chests where the [illegible] used to be. After [illegible] down to tell Mrs [illegible] she could have paper sorted in our [illegible]. Tried to sleep but too shaky [illegible] was [illegible]. E [illegible] telephoned cannot come to lunch [illegible], expect [illegible] Mon. [illegible] She likes to have [illegible] Worked [illegible] for Mrs [illegible] before + after tea. C. helped [illegible] window

A windy cool spring day.

Sunday, May 19

[Trinity Sunday.

Up early. Our Sunday paper [illegible]. Germans [illegible] towards Paris. Very terribly [illegible] w. May Hopkins on her engagement. Sat in the steps in the sun and went to Paul. Our first Gooseberries for lunch — a lot. Cleared out cupboard under the stairs and took paper over to shed where Giles and Rose were sorting it. Unearthed [illegible] work-ribbon and put it in a waste-paper basket. My heart seems to get very tired. Took pictures from cupboard upstairs to others. Lay down on bed a little a bit and fell asleep. Late to tea. Bad flare-up w. C. because I said I did not know what she meant about turning the Magnet [illegible]. Lamps and electric light [illegible] in [illegible] Tea Cottage. Walk in W. & back. Cold wind made my throat worse. Over Hay Tea Cottage. Talk

M. Hopkins and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] cutting [illegible]

M. [illegible] [illegible] new [illegible]

Amberley Cool & bright.

Monday, May 20

Woke 5 o'c. & couldn't sleep again. Good bye to C. very much affected by the situation & danger of English position and danger of German Victory. 9 rail for Upper Gornal. Talk at station Father Mathias. Daily Sketch [illegible]. Very tired. Office 11 o'c. Dictated Mr C. W. Maylan about alien regulations. Posters say Germans are held at St Quentin. Lunched Edward Faulkner. Garrick. Talk Malcolm Sargent. Signed letters. Worked all afternoon on Hyde Park Gardens paper re preparation [illegible] [illegible]. Talk [illegible] re S.A.T. about [illegible] [illegible] to place of [illegible]. Home tube. A. just arrived from Weatherby and [illegible] to [illegible] Mrs. Jenkins. Bath etc. Fruit dinner. Windows [illegible] [illegible]. Kind of [illegible] staff against [illegible]. W. Montie Barbary. W. Macedon.

Lovely day

Tuesday, May 21

Up early. Germans driving on towards Calais. Will Weygand stop them? Office 9.35. Sat in G. B. Ctee papers. [illegible] letters. [illegible] Richards to [illegible] [illegible] for Zimmern. Worked on Gift Ctee agenda. Call fr. Tom Layton [illegible] books for Harry. Lunch [illegible]. Finished Adv. Ctee papers. Dictated a lot. Walked from H. P. C. [illegible] Ctee Rupert Beckett, Ld. Halifax [illegible] Mr. Powell. Decided against [illegible]. Walked home with Mr. Powell. W. both were [illegible] answers, but [illegible] had [illegible] unconcerned. G. has been seeing American Virginia [illegible] [illegible] and was in a panic [illegible] passage to return to America. At Pikes had [illegible] for [illegible]. [illegible] Co. [illegible] dinner [illegible] came after

[illegible]

[illegible] Rainy day. Hope [illegible]
[illegible]

Wednesday, May 22

[illegible], hold interfere w Germans, + they seem to have reached Abbeville, Bombs on Sussex villages. C. still in high [illegible]. A. can not think of going to America. Begged her to sp. Violet Bonham Carter. Office 10.15. Worked Fallada [illegible] [illegible] Dictated Miss C. + [illegible] ~~letter~~ to Richard Law M.P.-D.B. Call for Mr Hunt of Caxton Press. Lunch Garrick Cally Kerr spoke to Robert James. Called Uncles about Dick pictures. Checked [illegible] etc. Minifie dictated to Miss C. Drew up also Eugenie [illegible] Signed letters. Walked home. Cocktail party A. + Pinkie. Lynn [illegible], Mary [illegible], [illegible], Stephen [illegible], Charles [illegible], Betty [illegible], Virginia [illegible], Virginia Thesiger, Kit Fraser, Jimmie Scott, [illegible], Tom [illegible], Jean Asquith, Ivan Moffat, Angus Menzies, Butterworth, Olsen, [illegible] young people met on the upper [illegible]

A. came [illegible] came to
Patrick had had an accident to eye

Thursday, May 23

Slept well in G's room. Office 10.5. A. called up Michael. Ruth missing. She asked if she should tell her mother. I said yes but I would tell her [illegible] for comfort herself. C. told me later that she cried & cried. Dictated Mrs. G. [illegible] proofs came in and [illegible] on [illegible] letters. Read Mss. very bad one by friend of von Braun as [illegible] [illegible] to sleep. Waited till 2.30 for Paul Beadle but he did not come. Lunch 5 p. [illegible]. Dictated to [illegible] John Byrne. Mr. S.A.T. has not been in all day and Mr. Mills & Mrs Mead think his heart has gone wrong again as a result of war bother. Mrs M. telephoned and he said he had been to his doctor who gave him some medicine & he had been sleeping ever since. Hair cut. 3 [illegible] [illegible]. Walked home. [illegible] & dinner w A. & C. Bridges [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] Pleasant Day [illegible] [illegible] C. [illegible]

Friday, May 24

News same as last night.
Called Am. Embassy to
renew passport but photographs not
sent. Walter + asked to have
revolver but he would not take
it. He is sending Virginia + children
to Ireland and back to America
by O.O. President Roosevelt
Opens 13.40. 3.47. Called up
Lady [illegible] has a gastric attack
told him not to come in
till Monday. Read long letter
fr. Stewart. Hennessy. J.L.B.
~~[illegible] [illegible]~~ [illegible] [illegible]
Dictated Mr. E. 2 [illegible] Paris.
Death. Boulogne taken. Spain.
Dictated Mr. Cook letter. All
with Bergen + Putnam re [illegible]
income tax claim. Called McAfee
for pictures and had passport
photographs taken. Home bus
N. Bradham Charles having tea w.
C. Walked home w. [illegible].
C. + I walk in Gardens, lost in
afternoon thunder. Brief [illegible]
to Biggar's [illegible] sat next to
Hugh Walpole. Nice but muddled.
C. + I engaged [illegible]. Rang up

EMPIRE DAY.

London

Saturday, May 25

[illegible] & Claw [illegible] in
Calais. Looks bad but
Allies may be able [illegible]
through at Amiens. Got
Clark Commission Co's office
10 o'c. Lunch Brown 1 am with
with Bertram. Mrs Cook [illegible].
Talk Mr Miller about my [illegible])
Dictate Mrs Dunn Bryant.
[illegible] cut my passport photo.
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Walk
to Bond St. Buy [illegible]. Left
R. [illegible] article at V. [illegible]
[illegible] being lunch. G. to
Janie Bucher's [illegible] wedding
to [illegible] and Alex [illegible]. Sat
w. H. G. Wells. On to Sloane St
[illegible] Fletcher's flat. [illegible] and
looked in at Ida Carrick's flat
opposite. Back to reception -
Hoover's, Masaryk & [illegible] &
Com [illegible] Nathalie & [illegible]
Douglas. [illegible] [illegible].
No 3, [illegible] [illegible] at [illegible]
Hotel. [illegible] by 6.45. A. [illegible]

[illegible]

Amberley. Mild rain.

Sunday, May 26

W. Chequers. All to church [illegible]

[H.M. QUEEN MARY'S BIRTHDAY. [1st Sunday after Trinity.

communion [illegible] to Prayer. 1/2 to Castle

w. Peppers for [illegible] 2 [illegible]

Evelyn alarmist. Sat. ~~[illegible]~~

Air Raiders called out last night. She says for days a dozen parachutists landed at Folkestone. Doubt this. She says we are in for a perfectly frightful time and great chance of people killed. At luncheon A. proposed asking Virginia Mosley down and I said we couldn't bring them. [illegible] She resented this and C. blamed her and she burst into tears and rushed from room. I talked to C. [illegible] perhaps not wanted in England. To see Charles – Read paper, nap in chair. Tea. A. and I tried to find picture frame for her message. Listened to wireless. C. of

Cool rain & shine - ?

Monday, May 27 +

Breakfast 9 o'C. Washed hair last night & this A.M. put on my water [illegible] after all. [illegible] and this. Great [illegible] to make separate [illegible]. C. after [illegible] of [illegible]. Talk [illegible] All. about work. Make N. bath lighter [illegible]. Take down pictures [illegible]. [illegible]. Saw [illegible] police office. S.A.T. expected soon. [illegible] in sitting room. To [illegible] registers at police station. Bought [illegible] for [illegible] etc. Failed to get flowers. Said a prayer in Catholic church. [illegible] Talk [illegible] about [illegible] Cottage. Lunch. Finished [illegible] pictures 2.10 [illegible]. Sept. Office 4 o'C. S.A.T. back [illegible]. Dictated [illegible] C. letter [illegible]. Walked home. Talk Mrs Powell [illegible] & Phillips out back & P. called up.

[illegible]

Took Crocus to Garden; Pink flowering shrub is Weigelia.

Tuesday, May 28

Slept well & felt more hopeful. To Afr. Consul to examine passport & then found [illegible] money enough. Coming away papers announced surrender of Belgium! At office S.A.T. out in and Mr Miller in. [illegible] [illegible] up. Got [illegible] Charlton's [illegible] for money. Arr. for E[illegible] stuff. S.A.T. came in still having lumbago. Tel. also Charlton & got her husband's address for Mr Miller who wants him to [illegible] for S.A.T. application. Lunch. Garrick. Fussell — captain or lieutenant [illegible] — [illegible] think B.E.F. [illegible] be lost. Tel. Col. Charlton & arranged for Mr Miller to go to Chelmsford this p.m. to see him. Signed letters. Harms got cig. & explained to N. not to [illegible] to A. [illegible]. Took 5:4 train & walked to station. C. at Mrs R's [illegible] and I heard her call. Happy evening together. A. seemed better on my [illegible]. After dinner A. & I hung silhouettes in landing. C. was

Viola Americana & [illegible]

Amberley

Wednesday, May 29

Woke too early. Up 6.50
[illegible] out of Chapel yard
where [illegible]
[illegible] park [illegible] out [illegible]
[illegible]. Walked to
Station. 8 talk to Amberley man
delivering milk said his 19 yr.
son in Belgium. Walked in town.
Engaged [illegible] along [illegible]
gardener to a [illegible] to Lambeth Bridge
office. 10.35. S.A.T. on [illegible]
letter. Dictated letters to [illegible]
et al about War Soldier. Tel. fr.
A. Toynbees have got back by
air fr. St. Malo. Talk S.A.T. &
Nicol about films. Lunch Garrick
C. [illegible]. Signed letters. Walked
to Bond St. but stopped [illegible]
[illegible] by bus. Saw
[illegible] in [illegible]
[illegible] Margaret [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] Brett clerk. [illegible]
[illegible] who came home
[illegible] out air [illegible]
villages [illegible] as no air
defence. Dinner listened news. Appeal
men over 60 & all other women to [illegible]

Thursday, May 30

Slept in snatches after 6.
up 7.30 and to An 'Embassy
for passport renewal but taking
[illegible] stuff and so am late at
9.00. Sat writing & correcting
Mrs Eddy for 1st minutes in [illegible]
draft [illegible] all the after [illegible]
& then came away office 9.30
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] feeling [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Dictated
Mr. Clark. Called John Maylan
Scotland Yard & [illegible] in me
[illegible] & discussed restrictions
of Aliens. Back to office worked
to Mrs Eddy. Lunch. Paul
[illegible] & [illegible] to [illegible] on English
[illegible] feathers in Alpine [illegible].
Walked back w. Paul to [illegible]
Thanks he said "Comfort" when
he said goodbye. Very odd but
suppose it is socialist name.
Dictated letters and particular
Sir J. Maylan, [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] Police' about restriction
of Aliens. Walked home. Stopped
to look in antique shop
windows. A. Parker [illegible]
[illegible] in [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible]
& [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Friday, May 31

C. at out black + [illegible] [illegible]
+ offices + maps. box. Has C.
work at [illegible]. To Ar-
Consul - lunch. Was [illegible]
finished. offices ~~[illegible]~~ 10.30
Mrs Cook says Frank [illegible]
of loss of destroyer.
Dictated Mrs C. to [illegible] Sir
J. Moylan saying that permits
are granted in certain
circumstances. Worked on Mrs Ed-
and went to B.M. to look up
going. Alfreds called to ask
me to get her passport photographs.
Worked on Mrs Eddy. Lunch
Garrick. Talk Cox, Wright.
C at A's pictures. Prepared
Dunsany copy for new Jackson
book. [illegible] [illegible] to D.M.S. [illegible]
Started dictating to Miss D.B.
to Stoddart Kennedy. To
Victoria. A. came up platform
loaded with parcels. [illegible]
[illegible]. Tel [illegible] [illegible] about
getting exemption for [illegible]

Amberley

Saturday, June 1

Wonderful work of B.E.F. Navy & Merchant Marine getting off from Dunkirk. Deeply stirred. It de glorifying like skunks & what they claim as British defeat. Sargent left on his holiday till Tuesday. To see C. Pumphrey in cottage. Told him about [illegible] up paint etc. Looked about place. Tennis court mowed potatoes coming up well. Took Chalky. Saw last silhouette on landing. All looks charming. Chose that flower picture for N. Bath room. Pink roses dull like paint on copper. After lunch trimmed grass round garden walls. Sawed dead branches and seemed to strain my heart. H. talked to Jerry absorbed in his parachute duties. After tea rested on bed: Bath etc. Evening Jerry to dinner. Read [illegible]

[illegible] Ali & Russia's left
to [illegible] us, good,
[illegible] & Wake

Sunday, June 2

2nd Sunday after Trinity.

Dressed for Church - we all helped clear [illegible] table and washing up. Started taking flower pictures in bath room. A & I to church and on to dinner at Evelyn's. Worked on pictures before - after lunch. Then slept in chair in sitting room - a very warm day. After tea finished hanging pictures in bath room. A phoned C & I went on Wild boats [illegible] Don a [illegible] and saw a heron. T. A. police at [illegible]. Can't get our exemption [illegible] or we must come back from London tomorrow [illegible]. At dinner Agnes cried, general strain, and I think she wants to go back to London as Anne says it is super - she wants to be with them. Also I blamed her for not [illegible] learning [illegible]

After dinner [illegible]

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Lovely morning; Amherst
Duke [illegible] in mufti [illegible] Mrs C. [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]

Monday, June 3

Talked [illegible] M. to Scotland. Called me at 6.30. Breakfast w C. who was [illegible] at 9.10. Office 10:55. Stopped at Matthews photo. Pins to see pictures [illegible] from [illegible] F. [illegible] [illegible] on reporters' [illegible] (Mr Beaumont [illegible] Ch. + Roi) Dictated Mr D.B. Cf. Morgan's Scotland [illegible] thing. Report of London. Home lunch. [illegible] to change & changed clothes. [illegible] C. who had been [illegible] at Mauza. Back to office. Signed letters. Long [illegible] F.O. on Weather [illegible]. Finished [illegible] League of Nations. Waiting in London [illegible] America. Signed last letter; and returned to Victoria. C. & I leave to go back to Amherst tonight. Notes new regulations for aliens. A. staying in London [illegible] is British. I went 5:4 & C. 6:15. Saw Mr [illegible] & [illegible] about [illegible] for images at 12 oC. Bath [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], accounts etc.

[illegible] Ambitelly Rang to meeting [illegible]

[illegible] 6 [illegible] [illegible]

Tuesday, June 4

Awake in / make breakfast. Up 6.45. Clemky says that Newell won't do extra time without extra pay. Walk station. Slept in train and did accounts. Labour at Admiralty is costing lives now. Got to office 9.35. Paris bombarded yesterday with disproportionately small damage. Talk S.H. about war [illegible] crisis. Dictated Miss Dunn Byrne to [illegible] Kennedy. Long talk A. on telephone. Said she could sleep at all week, but [illegible] get settled somewhat [illegible]. Talked Crisis [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] others. [illegible] clothes. Back to office. Bad throat from going out without coat [illegible]. Signed letters. Bus to Victoria & happened to meet Austin Brown, who [illegible] S.A.

[illegible]

Another lovely day

Wednesday, June 5

Sargent back & took me to station. Forgotten prohibition. Met Mrs Chapin. Slept in train. To office 10-30. Tel fr. A. Charles Jansen not back. Tel fr. Pinker offering Friedland. Wagner Ding. Call fr. Kenneth about Don Juan. Says Mr. W. onsen was a prominent Fascist. To be in person? Dictated Mrs D. B. tel. Charles Mayer will and re Frank. Tel. from M. Frasi. Dictated Miss Duffy. Home (looked for a Gothic Revival Clock in Broadway St.) lunch beer, cheese & fruit. Changed clothes. Talk Chap. before lunch. Office 3-20. W. Lippy, Colin C. S. Parker, London & others. Dictated. To Amberley 5-4. Walked home fr. station to village where I bought nightly Fletch Stones and so [illegible] Don who had gone to meet me. Bath dinner. Talk. & loved. Bed early

Awfully lovely weather but
always. Thursday, June 6 Each.
Chill in air. Walked to
Station starting at 8.5 so
as not to get hot walking
but got that much to
exercise. Shereston called out
a greeting from his door.
Tried to sleep but could not
get much beyond somewhat.
Had waken at 5 o'C. Terribly
anxious. Fear French line
tho' more to hold Paris is
possible. Office 10.30
Mr Miller talked to me about
our creditors and banks
refusal to advance more; Said
we must keep people waiting.
Dictated Mr D. H. O. [illegible]
agreement. Tel fr. A. Lucas
Paul Beall & Chatham Arms
Have changed. Looked at
Lawrence Arnold's problems of A
not at all gratifying & pleasing.
A. Came in & on to V. Amherst
by 5.4. C. very much shattered
by situation. Bath. Dinner. Wireless

Read Beall's Thos Twain

Saturday

Sunday, June 9

{Third Sunday after Trinity

Can French hold him against the Germans? Germans. C & I to Linden. Down to Wilbanks to look for key, tried with another bunch and they might have fallen out when I lay on grass. After lunch w. Annie notice for LOST key. Retraced steps of yes-terday along ... bed and down to willows where I found key. Rested from 2.30 to 3.45. Tea here C., A. at Pierson w. David, then Maudes. C & I needed payment by ... and others to ... Dined by A. & needed ... 6 o'c news very good. Can French hold!! After dinner News & National anthems. A. to bed early. Sat in ... by fire. Music ... David ... Died at 2 o'c. W. Mc Goldsmith

Read Burke's book about Japan

[illegible] Amberley. [illegible]

Monday, June 10

Showery. Ominous morning paragraph [illegible] [illegible] Papers tell of Germans pressing on to Paris at cost of enormous losses. Only good sign that they are [illegible] from Noyon. Sargent took me [illegible] station. Dozed in train & at end read a little Buck Tape. Met Lindsay Drummond and his wife at London Bridge & travelled to Clan. Ed. Bay grew [illegible] & daughter [illegible] Mrs D. & Mrs C. Cake fr. Rivoli's. Worked evening. Mrs Eddy from letters for Student Kinnaly. Lunch Horseshoe. Took S [illegible] staff. Worked on Ralph Peters' [illegible] Hamilton article. Dictated letter to Student Kinnaly. News bad but we must stop the Germans from reaching Paris. Walk part way home & [illegible] Ecclestone [illegible] looked for clock & ornamental nails. Heard French [illegible] say Italy has declined [illegible]. But [illegible] if [illegible] returned [illegible]

W. M. S [illegible]

Cool misty morning

Tuesday, June 11

Looked at A's picture by C. Cowing, well painted but superficial in many ways. Population and governments offices leaving Paris. Office 9.30 W. Mrs Mendicci & Alan Delgado. Call from Mr. Wells of Van Leer. Worked evening Mrs Eddy prelim's. Lunch a Quick Lunch Foster. To Bank to endorse Putnam Shares. Thomas old chemist & Matthews Suna printshop & cult. fire depot closed. To Compie Clay for ornamental pencils O. Call for Cyril Davis. W. Catherine Stoph agrees for Exch. & Mart & Times Started to walk home by Noel St & got diverted & [illegible] streets at Martin in Birch Lane. Bus then to Piccadilly Circus. Brief bus Dinner C. who came up to [illegible] with A. this morning. Then she & I to Sadlers Wells to see Cinderella. We engaged. A. was there in Pinkie Robert Cameron as Philip & [illegible]. C. & I walked back along Rosebery Ave. Bed late.

Wednesday, June 12

G. A report of operations 1 Italy & Caporetto. After all this last 600, not killed in Great war and was our friend before Mussolini. Up 7.30. Office 9.30. Can Paris be saved? Can French in own defence. Dictates Miss D.B. Miss Tapply. Talk Scott. Lifes proof. W. Church's Lions Crunch in Palestine. Call fr. T. Schiller. Lunch Hickson. 1. W. Lady Colum Crichton Stuart. W. David Huntington. Talk Barrett about 1st War [illegible]. Worked on Lifes illustrations and proof. To see Dr Papman about my dandruff. Walked home stopping at different shops to look for picture frames. Home 7.30 C. just back from film. A certain Mr Stetson attacks Americans at his luncheon club. Light dinner. News. Read Buch

Thursday, June 13

Germans closing in on Paris not
checked yet. A! saw Paige
Beddle at Café Royal last
night. Office 9.35. Dictated
Mrs R. Corrected Life.
Call on Crocker about some
Worked on Life. Lunch Jules
B. & Lillian & Marguerite. [illegible]
angry when they attacked
America which they did all
[illegible]. Terrible news [illegible]
British Division cut off. Office
3 o'c. Tel [illegible] [illegible]
about Lottie [illegible] accompanist
[illegible]. Worked on Life. Ellis
worked on accounts for Tills.
Walk from first [illegible]
furniture shop [illegible]
for Q. Elizabeth letters & A's
pictures. Home 7 o'c. [illegible]
[illegible] Powells for cocktail.
Mr. P. [illegible] Ashley Wilson
in uniform. R. at cocktail
party for Dibs. Home to dinner
& went after to party at [illegible]
Read Philip [illegible]

Friday, June 14

Seems no hope for Paris but there must be. Office 10.10. Pearls & Cameo Corner Dr. He- Stern. Tell Maitland to duplicate scalp & face treatment wh. I am taking to Amherst. Cunningham reporter in Paris. Lunch Paul & Beatty Chandos Hoist. He has trimmed his beard. Cunningham actually in Paris and suggests that general assistant of Co could join. J. W. Ralph Peto about his article on King Haakon that I placed in Evening Standard. W. only went to Cousin Georgie. Met Phoebe & A & her C. at Victoria & to Amherst on 5.4. Met Mattioses at Haywards Heath Station. Clayton has moved over the other & was being kept. Sargent is watching others tonight in local defence Corps. Impossible to conclude how France can be defended but it must be. Apple dinner Queen!

[illegible]

Woke early & went in to give C. companionship. Was situation thrilling. News in the papers suggests collapse of French in its [illegible]. 1/2 to see Humphrey & Hammond at work on cottage. Arranged for changing light bill in middle term. Watts Vezey who had come to apologize to Charley locking his dog barked at 4 tonight at 2 A.M. He was glowing about war and said as they all do, "what will America do?" To see Price Allen about work. A. & Perkins hay making. Spoke pleasantly to Newell who is coming early instead of staying late. C & I down to P.O. [illegible] for children's [illegible]. Cut away dead wood climber for cottage. After lunch brief nap. Then C. & I took children to cinema in [illegible]. Evening to dinner [illegible] to [illegible] & old [illegible] favourite "In the Gloaming" & [illegible] [illegible]. Young people up to

in summer. Read Phillips' school story

Call from Tommy in morning at 10 o'c. [illegible] Phillip [illegible]

Sunday, June 16

[4th Sunday after Trinity.

Papers do not give much encouragement that France will be able to carry on. Roosevelt suggests increasing assistance if allies can hold out. Started making marking stamps. A. went to church. G + I walked about place weeding + raking up badly lawn with Don. Football, putting after lunch finished [illegible]. Heated in chair by G's hours a certain amount of light rain. Tea by fire in front room. [illegible] very sympathetic & amused. Robert [illegible] Stevens who arrived on bicycle from Wantage after training from Peterborough all wet, changed his clothes. He and girls played games upstairs in A's bed-sitting-room before tea. G and I walked about place again with Don. News very bad. Rather dismal. County defence talk by Priestley. Telephoned [illegible]

[illegible] Watson [illegible]

Monday, June 17

Slept badly [illegible]
France. [illegible] C. [illegible]
[illegible] agonizing [illegible]. Breakfast
[illegible]. Papers [illegible] full of
[illegible] Government [illegible] and
[illegible] new premier [illegible]
[illegible]. Wet
[illegible]
[illegible] master
[illegible]
[illegible] Talk [illegible]
[illegible]. Then
[illegible] letter. Mr S.A.T. [illegible]
[illegible] Davis in a taxi [illegible]
[illegible] for a few minutes
at [illegible] Then [illegible]
asked S.A.T. [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] Mr [illegible] back. [illegible]
[illegible] Chester [illegible]. Said he
could spend £3. [illegible]. Dictated
[illegible] Studdert Kennedy
Call from [illegible] about [illegible]
[illegible] To Mr [illegible] for [illegible]
[illegible] Robertson [illegible]
at [illegible] N.G. Met [illegible] at
[illegible] had lunch. Back
[illegible] at Acton. Mr [illegible]
[illegible] no money in bank to
[illegible] S.A.T. [illegible]
[illegible] Committee

[illegible]

Tuesday, June 18

Wake 5.15 6.15 7.15 & extraordinarily got back to sleep each time in spite of worries and problems. G. said on telephone last night that Evelyn thinks we should go back to America. Office 10.30 c. D. [illegible], Mrs Dennis Byrne. Long talk M. S. A. T. on prospect of the firm of [illegible]. To this is to [illegible] of America. We are agreed in thinking that cooperation with Frederick Muller might solve problem. Bought Air Raid circular. Paid Mickland's bill. Lunch Garrick with a partner fr. Epping. Tel. fr. Kt. [illegible] about an iron shelter in the garden. Read Mrs McKenzie's [illegible] book on the Slave trade. Started in a [illegible] [illegible]. Walking home. Stopped at Christopher Place & looked at some found one that would do. Chinese figures in ivory in carved pairs 1730 circa. Frank dinner. Read Phillpotts [illegible] story. Gets [illegible]

Wednesday, June 19

Don't like selection of old men of Minister in Cabinet. No victory behind it is meaning to propitiate these followers. Talk Cross about weeks so that I shall know what to put up. Office 10 o'c. Tel. Times about Jon. [illegible] on letter. Dictated Mrs C. & Mrs D. B. Read Seaver's book. Tel fr. C. Mr Muller to see Mr Bell & lunch with him to suggest conference. Lunch. Chelsea Arts Paul & Beeks. Call fr. Bernard at [illegible] N.Y. letter about the magicians of his paper. Read Seaver's book. Tel. Times about Atmos letter & W. Times and [illegible]. Walked home. Talk C. about all this has happened. Bath dinner listened to [illegible]. Evidently much going on secretly about French [illegible] etc., Can we get her agree to E. Army. Read C. Tapley book & finished it. Good both dirty & [illegible] action

Thursday, June 20

Office 10.10. Great interest in young airman's letter. Hope we can get it. W. Tild about carrying for my project in case of death. 5 due. Mrs C. Talk about Miss Griffey. Mr SAT about business and his salary. Remarked on Philip's lunch. To James Ormer for @ £ pearls. She called and I met [illegible] went to lunch at Churchill's with Buffie Dugdale & Violet Bonham Carter, Arthur Strutt. & [illegible] a French Officer & a man in Ministry of Information. I went to see Buckman. Stopped to look in at Pearl Cakes. W. Philip about his [illegible] & sent it to [illegible] [illegible]. Read the Spectator. Walk home. Stopping at St Christophers Place to see about [illegible] for [illegible] Ball. Dressed. C. back [illegible]. Dinner. Listened to news. [illegible] plate into boxes. [illegible]

Friday, June 21

Office 10.10. Talk S.N.T. Miller about reduction of salaries etc. Tel. Kent & Times about Ammann's letter. Tel Eric Gill who is rather [illegible]. Dictated Mrs C. & Mrs D.B. Out to buy gel cloth for back of screens. and adhesive plaster. Franks. Hoover Shop. Call for Strauss with balance of new [illegible]. Tel. ff. Kent OK. for Ammann's letter. W. Eric Gill. S.N.T. say Mrs C. is afraid of being sacked like Mr [illegible]. D.T. agrees anti-pay allowances after Jan 30 & and to Fenwick only ½ allowances. Taxi to S. Chris. Clinic & got screen & on to Victoria met C.O. & to Amberley 5.4. Mattress at Amberley Station. Bag first [illegible]. A & Ann at home. Amberley full of soldiers. [illegible] R.D. [illegible] to [illegible] here to [illegible] went [illegible]. Put up screen. [illegible] inside [illegible] of repair. After dinner started work on letters. [illegible]

Amberley

Saturday, June 22

Woke up tired. To see
Humphreys family Cottage.
Grumbling to Hammond who has
finished 1 Electric work. Went
with Helen. 3 soldiers want to
billet 4 ? in our studio. A & I
saw them after she had been to station.
Anne Ulfsted is going to Caterham
to see Philip train for Welsh
Guards. The non-comm. officer gave
warned more furniture to go in
the P.O. but after lunch, did
not turn up. I cleared our
studio to take furniture for shed
Then worked on screen. Soldiers
came back, not coming this
evening, then fixed up A's bed
& not coming. A. to cinema
at Littlehampton w. Jerry.
G. & I tea. Worked on screen
till 7.30. Dinner. W. Diary.
Jerry & A. came back &
had scrambled eggs & beer in
sitting room & looked at Eric
Gill's pictures in books of A's

for illustrating [illegible] Letter

Sunday, June 23

[5th Sunday after Trinity.

Am [illegible] [illegible]
Raining [illegible] 8 [illegible] Jack
G. to Church. [illegible]
all morning on screen.
A. to P.P. walk. Terry along
about Chalton Village.
Alive with soldiers. French
complete capitulation. What
else can be expected. G. says
they read Airman's letter in Church.
Soldiers always lovely so very good.
Screen going slowly but well.
Opening spaces between leaves.
To see Craig Allen to get black
paint for edges. Mrs [illegible]-
on Mulligan settles to see children.
Tells later Mulligans arrived
today bringing up one comfort
to - again at 8? Wanted all after-
noon on screen. Tea & G &
I walked down village street
crowded with soldiers quartered
at Chalton, Jacks. Officers at
Cuthbertts. Mrs Wright outside
P.O. steps [illegible] [illegible] she
never did [illegible] like a [illegible]
[illegible]. Mr [illegible] called
I asked corner of carpet left up by
electricians in cottage [illegible]

[illegible] Wright getting on steps
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] me up

Monday, June 24.

[illegible] morning: left – Ambulance by

E. 34 [QUARTER DAY. and [illegible] – [illegible] [FIRE INSURANCE DUE.

train; after luncheon worked on
ills for Aumonier's letter. C and
Brightman back here [illegible]. [illegible]
[illegible] – for our ambulance [illegible]
Paper express surprise at
absence of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
and what else could they expect
[illegible] [illegible] – [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]. Tel. Eric Gill &
arranged to go down to [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] W. Leonard [illegible]
who had appealed for [illegible]
[illegible] lunch [illegible] [illegible] & C [illegible]
[illegible] – C went Chelsea; [illegible] to
[illegible] Wycombe & bus to
[illegible]. Eric Gill lunched in
[illegible]. Very friendly talk
on his work from [illegible] studio
where he is making carving for
Westminster Cathedral. He is keen
on the Aumonier letter. Tea
with [illegible] his wife, & [illegible]
down [illegible] [illegible] to bus & train
home. [illegible] [illegible]. C & [illegible] to
all [illegible] places. G. [illegible] A [illegible] about
[illegible]. [illegible] for France. G. & I
dinner. Worked on Aumonier letter

Tuesday, June 25

Air clear warm at 10 C
[illegible] O. had headache in this
morn. Went up to see Eleanor
& then went to sleep again.
I filled bottles with water.
Feel [illegible] keep them filled in
future and then went to sleep
again. I hear her all alone
[illegible] roundly as 4 a.m.
Eleanor left at 7.30 a.m.
O & I in dressing gowns saw
her off. Lovely bright morning
& she in bright blue going
to America for her operation.
To office & worked on her
mother's letter. Mr West came up
to see me about it. Lunch at
Garrick. Walked down w S.H.
and Paul Willert and met D.
Nicholas Hannen. Cut [illegible]
[illegible] for screen. Signed letters
W. [illegible]. Dictated a memo. about
N. Hannen & Seymour Hicks in the matter
about book of Hannen's letter. Bus home
[illegible] Charged 30. G. [illegible]
[illegible] lives [illegible] the trip. Early
[illegible] O. [illegible] dinner
[illegible] [illegible] Marks. Land talk
[illegible] getting just as Eleanor intended

[illegible]

Wednesday, June 26

Slept well. Parker Ann + A. gone to Caterham for Philip's birthday + back to Ambulance tonight. Slept. G. going at 5 o'C. Paul + Amelia Day w. Gill. Tel. fr. C. Minney hop not arrived. S.H. enquired in about Tania's present. Sent out copies of Kirill's to Editor in connection with Fraser Gallup. Dictated Mr D.B. Read Putnam N.Y. meant n.g. for England. Poor Mr Frasi called all dressed in black. His boy almost certainly lost. Lunch Grindshaw. Joyce Stokes Matthews. Call fr. Pakley and went over proof with S.H. of Roget Newmarket. Alfreda telephoned before lunch about C.H. Talk Miller about Air Raid shelters. Hair cut. Home long talk with Dorothy + told her we wanted leave Alfreda in her charge if she died. Dinner worked for accounts. Read Hanley's Boy - some rather boring.

Thursday, June 27

Slept well. Up late.
Office 10.20 Tel. [illegible]
[illegible] say he has been back
a month working in London.
Frederick here today says he
will be all right on reduced
allowance. Offered Callers
Harbourne. Tel. Martin about
shirts [illegible] W. Letter to
Miss Raffey about her pension;
W. Smithers — Lunch Lucas.
Paul Beadle. Lunch Club
at Chandlers Court. Tom
Layton left story for me
Up read Reed book by Mr.
West on self preservation.
Talk SAT Miss Raffey pension
and Dora prog. Signed letters
Worked on Deardon's Drama
walked home. Bath dressed
first dinner. Worked on
accounts and on codicil
to will in case both C.
and I and A should die
and I be the last to survive

Friday, June 28

Gerry Wellesley called up. Got anything from Baughan which still in French hands. Asked G & Mrs D'Oyly Packed up mine for Amherst office. Talk S. A. T. various. Dictated. to Mickey letter about will in case G. & J. on all of us die. Worked on Lifes. Draft letter with Mrs D. C. Call to Lord Lennard Steen about work in Amherst. Introduced him to Wendt. Talk Mr Miller who is looking for a job. Lunch Garrick. C. Hurley Franks Nevinson. Gerry Wellesley Laurence & Jerrie. Back like Birmingham's Letter & Stopped at Mrs Pallis. Lent letter & afty. W. M. m. came strongly for Lady B. Aimmon's letter in Times hopeful. Signed letters. Tel Hampshire Spencer to ask about Milly. No reply. 5. 4 to Amherst. Anne & Perkins & Jerome, always about. After dinner worked for Hasting scene

[illegible]

Amblely

Saturday, June 29

Lovely but thundery weather. To see Mrs Pflummer to talk w. Hath Tea Cottage. C. Hopley has pretty well finished cottage & and is at work on outside staircase to oak the cottage cellar. Worked on screen. Arabi left to see Philips. After lunch I tried walking without much success. Early tea and then Miss Mason & I went to play golf & found place a awful swamp. Taken over by military on Thursday. Clubs rusty & I couldn't play at all. Nothing could stir. Saw Mest & his wife & Anne & Dawn. Home & lessons. Mrs Latham came to help in canteen. Worked on screen after dinner. Terrors went home after staying here while Cecil's plumbing being fixed.

Sunday, June 30

15th Sunday after Trinity.

Finished one leaf of screen before going to church, Nannie & I represented household. To the Plummers & West all done here. I had planned for Willy to have workshop in cellar. I asked for glass for broken windows. Shed brightly with paper. Fixed hooks for curtain [illegible] day for C. News says Marshall Balbo's death thought to be murder to get rid of opponent of axis. After lunch finished hooks in laundry. Rested successfully. Tea. Had out everyone but Mrs. A. and Pinkie & Nannie's children sitting on bank watching. Struck stone. Sherry party officers at Cold Ash hotel. Cathy Buchanans, Thurston, Chief Pearson, Rushing and Pounds. [illegible] went down in Jersey planning dance.

Monday, July 1

Awake most of night with gout but did not feel too tired. Tel. Venables for gout medicine. Papers continue to [illegible] act [illegible] suspicions. Helped C. fix up room where her father died [illegible] getting round [illegible] for [illegible] Mrs Macton [illegible]. Cleared up things on [illegible] cupboard. C. [illegible] to Chichester to get [illegible] for [illegible] to see about [illegible] car. Talk C. [illegible] play at work on [illegible] door [illegible] to have wood moved [illegible] After lunch worked on screen. C. came back about 3.30. [illegible] Violet [illegible] and Violet [illegible] after [illegible] Worked at [illegible] [illegible] as [illegible] for [illegible] [illegible] tonight [illegible] Finished [illegible] of screen. [illegible] C. [illegible] much affected [illegible] Visit to [illegible] makes [illegible]

[illegible] is the point of view of [illegible] [illegible] End. [illegible] worked down of [illegible] feeling cut down.

Fine weather continues.

Tuesday, July 2

Slept well nothing happened that
night. Talk to Chems about
Sergeant Major's idea of engine house
and left matters there with
Sargent about air raid shelter and
about expenses. Cas. To London
by 9.41. Office 10:30 Mrs [illegible]
[illegible] in [illegible] through [illegible] his holiday.
Eric Cill [illegible] to [illegible]
Letter [illegible] provision. Dixon &
Allen called up about someone
who ought [illegible] house
Dictated Mrs D.B. W. Mather suggest
back on [illegible] for L.V.D's. Tel. [illegible]
Tel. Major [illegible]. Call from
Mrs [illegible]. Lunch [illegible].
W. M. [illegible] typed it [illegible]
[illegible] about [illegible] in England.
Dictated Mrs D.B.V. eight
letters. W. Major [illegible]
about [illegible] Brook. Bought
Cherries [illegible] Shown
[illegible] to Dominion
finished. Weeded in garden.
Fruit dinner. Struggled with
[illegible] and [illegible].
worked on accounts.

Wednesday, July 3

Slept late. Office 10.45
Dictated and signed a few
letters. Telephoned to Eric Gill
& Hal. Riddell. To see Hal R.
later. recommended Thomas
Derrick to illustrate Air
man's Letters. Bruno Guinness –
Cheese [illegible] Centres, Slept
in train to High Wycombe –
Pleasant talk with Eric
Gill. who proves to be an
active member of Pax –
Peace Pledge Union & author
of stop the War pamphlet.
Apparently most unsuitable for
this work. Home slept in
train. Walter Butterworth
to see G. who had come up and
had luncheon etc. Billy – to
Press Club and then to Cinema
Cat. seen show but did not
join him. Bath. Dinner G.
talk. Worked on Letters of Airman.
Before this came in I had telephoned
to Thomas Derrick & made
appointment for tomorrow.

Thursday, July 4

Office 9.50. Margaret sailed this morning. Net winning news only we had got French fleet but matter. Did A.M. paper. Dictated. Mr Clark. Talk S.H. Tel. Derrick. Tel. Joel Rennie & sent him copy of "Out of Africa" Read up story of Lucian MS Submitted. Signed letters. Lunch Paddington & 1.45 train to Newbury. Had left 10/- for Paul Beadle. Slept in train. Met at Newbury by Michael Derrick. Spent afternoon with Thomas Derrick his wife Michael & Christopher. Discussing Airman's letter ills. Listened to wireless account of Churchill speech. Derrick stricken by ~~attack~~ on Fr. Hay. Back by 7.45 train. Changed at Reading & tel. Derrick suggesting 16th Century Shop instead of Westminster Cathl Bkshop. Ham Roll. Home ten o'c. Fruit & peas. Read

Jean Buchan's Thriller

1 ice cream + flan in aisle
Hall + N. even
Friday, July 5 cleaned)
Cool + pleasant. Gardeners
meeting in H.P.C. offices 10 o'c.
Mr Stott has been listening to Gen +
Winifer's + doesn't like being
agitator any ... flat + wants
to negotiate peace. w. Bob Post
Dictated Mrs D B Mrs Clark
Call for Mrs Clarkson
about 11 - reps. - shorthand book
w. T. Derrick about Herman's letter
w. letter for O.B., then asked to
show ... in applying for a post
with London ... Lunch
Garrick. Seymour Hicks. Bought
... W. Winsor & Newton
w. L.H. Myers about T + S again
Victoria. Read articles in Cam
Drew 5.4 to Amberley. Met by
Anne, A. + Martin who had ...
to get his uniform of officer in Welsh
Guards wh. he chose ... ...
first time. Sargent at Brighton
having his medical examination
which he passed A1. E + I packed
... ...
Dressed, all in preparation for dance at
Saddin; officers neighbours all the

officers called better in the
War Cabinet announced;

Saturday, July 6

Humphrey has unearthed stairs to cottage cellar. Talk Pru Allen about work. Talk Hammond electric connection. Company's man did not turn up. Talk Lettie about clearing cellar. Pinkie, Marty & Anne all left - [illegible] [illegible]. Pam Sargent has had her wallet stolen containing £22. After lunch started work of lining two central panels of screen. Rested a bit upstairs. Down for tea. Nanny spending week-end away so A. looking after children. Worked on screen. All day we put things back in their places wi. soldiers leaving & found & some things permanently missing. A. also put [illegible] the 2 [illegible] a mobile [illegible] bath. Pinkie suggested by Emily. After dinner worked all evening on screen

Sunday, July 17

[7th Sunday after Trinity]

Up and breakfast as usual. Officer [illegible] at breakfast [illegible] Sutcliffe [illegible] Saw him [illegible] office. G. to Church. I went over cottage [illegible] with [illegible] to see about storing [illegible] then I settled down to work on scripts. Air raid warning, but we did not hear anything. After luncheon went on with scripts. Rosalind and Sonia Dennison came to see Alfreda and they talked to N. [illegible] [illegible] worked. G saw them before they left in their pony cart. [illegible] tea and went on with scripts. I am [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and it is [illegible] work. Stopped at [illegible] to [illegible] I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to Ambuly [illegible] a [illegible] A. & I. [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] Evelyn about Mabel [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] L.D.V.S.

Monday, July 8

So tired last night I did
not go up to [illegible] till
9.10 & then slept. Spoke
about clinic. Mr Hancock
has a job w. London Transport
Miss Jean Byrd on habits.
Dictated Mrs Cook. Talk
G.A.T. who is drunk as usual
To Committee. Talk Webster
Talk Mr Price & Mr [illegible]
about organizing service.
Call fr. Burnett looking
well & pleased with his
job as watchman at [illegible]
of Munitions factory. Lunch
Call fr. Mr Newberry. [illegible]
Chauffeur Pen printing & [illegible]
letter. Talk S.A.T. who
wants to unburden himself
about the war which he
viewed like a story. Walked home
Spoke to Mr Ralph at 5 with
a drawing of Mr Yates Thompson's
house in Portman Square. Faint

[illegible]

Tuesday, July 9.

Office 9.50. Signed papers for Mrs Hancock. Dictated Miss Cook. Call fr. Vera Barclay about her affairs. Talked about Miss Wilkie. Call fr. Thom just back from Gibraltar. Lunch Garrick A.E.W. Mason. Talked of Nelly Romilly and her friend and her loss in the bank. Consulted Weldon of Newlin about vacancies and they advised me not to attempt Brunswick occupancy. Got sample American cloth. Got tube of Seccotine. Signed letters. Read Mrs Butler's story about teachers and W. Long talk Miller + SAT about Shackleton payment. Talk SAT about Eric Cole's book. Worked on accounts. Walked home. Talked to paper seller about his son. Watered weeping lime + shrub in garden. Fruit dinner. Checked accounts and read [illegible]. Too much

[illegible]

Wednesday, July 10

Office 10.30. Talked to Bus
and [illegible] about [illegible] stays.
Mrs. [illegible] letter that I
[illegible] I am 58. Returned fr.
P.O. Dictated Miss O. Talk
E.A.T. office arrangements. He
thinks France is supporting
Petain fr. conviction. Call fr.
Tom Layton to say goodbye. He is
to be an officer in Med. Dept.
C. telephoned, [illegible] canteen plan
[illegible] wedding. Emily's all wrong.
Dictated Miss Coxe. Lunch [illegible]
Read Violet Lansbury. T. of fr.
Portugal. Bus here. [illegible]
[illegible] a month and [illegible]
[illegible] to say Jean Hamilton.
Talk first to Mrs Moncreiff.
Jean looked very ill but warmed
up and we had a pleasant
talk for about an hour.
Home bath, dressed dinner
E.A. and Anne Powell. Girls
went to cinema and I read
Violet Lansbury's Russian
Experiences. Found it good

Thursday, July 11

Office. 10.30 Mr West came up to get a references for first in R.A.F. Dictated [illegible] Capt. Played Sullivan Caesar's Tackies with S.A.T. Worked I on my Ankeles accounts & [illegible] with Pass Book assisted by Mr Miller. And so the evening passed without either finding Violet Lanebury or defining one week on. D. McNally V. Barham Carter & B. Duffield Arthur Stacey, V. Cazalet, D[illegible] McLean, Colin Coote C. & L. Mot[illegible] Walpole in Country [illegible] Back to [illegible] Read V. Lanebury's Russian Book. [illegible] Watered garden. Rain and I changed into white sweater. [illegible] & [illegible] MacGiffin called A. joined us in [illegible]. [illegible] called. [illegible] came before I left. A. out. [illegible]

Friday, July 12

Terribly tired this morning
up lately. Office 10 a.m.
Dictated Miss H. Called on
Nelly about C's and my
will. I saw Raymond J. L. & W.
through window. Lunch Paul
Beadle. Not liking to be called
up at once. I advised him
to go to Glasgow where
might get a job. I can't
go on giving him lunches.
Talk Mr Miller about subject
[illegible] "Putnam" to [illegible],
Talk Bertram about his sub-
ject. W. Heber C. B. To
Victoria & to Amberley 5.4 p.m.
C. & A. Maltravers at station
as usual. Car being repaired
at Chichester. Home by taxi.
[illegible] George Stewart letter
fr. M-in-law. "I don't think
you realise what a strain on
me it is for you to stay in
England." After dinner looked
at cellar stairs finished

Read [illegible]

Saturday, July 13

Up late. To see C. Humphrey at work in cutting cellar & making stone steps to sitting room. Call fr. Newland Tomkins and Mr. Whitaker and went over all boundaries with them. A. & Sargent came back fr. Chichester in car. After lunch long call fr. Vicar upsetting C's rest. W finished altering screen & wiped & painted door posts. Tea and did odd jobs about place. Nasturtiums seem to be all going to leaves. Cut piece of plaster board to back up mosaic (for taking to London to be mounted). Talk Chingley about work and Mr. Bygrave about heap drive and cellar in air raids. John Wyndham arrives: Sherry. Dinner. After dinner J. & A. sat in North room. C & I in sitting room. W. Chequers. W, Dean was sure at dinner - pause

Sunday, July 14

[8th Sunday after Trinity.

Up early. Took bath.
To see Chantry
about work for Humphrey
Co. [illegible] Church. Call fr.
Kimberly patient re about
theft of Sargent's wallet
which lost [illegible] on business
Co. [illegible]. Sargent. To see
Miss Allen about counting
votes, [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] cabinet etc. Saw
Crawford about [illegible] tracks
for Allen stairs. V. Ellen insisted
for showing me her art. Said
ladder and escape fr. cellar.
Picked pansies w. E. C. Drive
[illegible] to [illegible] church. Read
papers etc. C. [illegible] [illegible]
young people to Pageant to
Davis in bathing pond. C. [illegible]
[illegible]. Then after tea C. and
went for walk in woods [illegible]
w. [illegible] a game. [illegible] a swim.
Back ex. Dinner. P.M. [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Tied up
[illegible] [illegible] to be [illegible]

Cold & rain

Monday, July 15

Prime Minister's broadcast was so charged with dangers, that it made relaxation difficult with constant roar of aeroplanes. When a dog barked J.C. called out "I hear machine guns" and the [illegible] went to sleep. But she slept [illegible] & so did I. 7.34 [illegible] Bridge. 3 [illegible]. in train. Discussed Odhams [illegible] Airman's letter most very good. Dictated Miss C. Private affairs. Lunch Exp. Dan [illegible] Allen luncheon [illegible] called. She [illegible] in Odhams Corp, but doesn't like it. Has been passed A1 so may get into action [illegible] which he will [illegible] like any father. Says many of men want to stay [illegible] being under [illegible] in [illegible]. Dictated Miss Donne Byrne and [illegible] who says his father interned [illegible] Airman's letter page. Took letter to [illegible] Southampton St. Bus to Tottenham Ct Rd. & bought grapes fr. shop opp. Shoolbred's. Home bath etc.

Cool & raining all day.

Tuesday, July 16

Office 10 o c. Dictated
with C. Call in young Wood-
cutts & Gaunt [illegible] Delegates
[illegible] to. Dictated Miss
Doone Byrne, writing long letter
to Derrick about his Reproductions
of Michael Cameron Chapter
Closet and read 1st chapter of
John McNeillie's new novel.
Talk West about his medical
examination. Signed letters.
Studied Trini's letter on the seminar
and decided to include it in
our book. Talk Mr G.A.T. about
our debts etc. Tube to
Paddington and inquired at Lost
Property office for the print that
Derrick gave me that I left in
train. Not found. Tremendous
collection of luggage there including
a tandem bicycle! Bath, ext
[illegible] dinner. Worked on
Humphrey accounts. Tel.
to Aubrey. Perkins there.
All well. Read McKenzie's G[illegible]
Slavery Book. Gets better. Bed 10.3

Rain again

Wednesday, July 17

I think feels better for going to bed early. Spoke of Cecil's in gardens. Says John [illegible] caretaker to plant vegetables and coming of such. Office 9.50. Talk Mr. Miller. [illegible] may be going to Blind as well. Suggest [illegible] Mr. Watkins back. Talk S.A.T. who wants to stop the war. Has a wild look in his eye. Talk Mr. Hathaway. Says good demand for cheap editions. Talk S.A.T. about possible new books. 'Limon' Garlick [illegible] Canadian. Letter says the clerks are apathetic about the war. Declined Mac Cook. Call from Rankin & talk about ways & things in general including publishing. Says communists say Chamberlain being kept in to come to terms with Germans. Walked home. Call fr. Allan Dalgado. C. had [illegible] for Ambulance. Alan is all free in terms all refugees Jews: is being given Intelligence Job in army. Asks me to think of how

[illegible]

Thursday, July 18

Gt. Britain closing Burma Road
for supplies to China. Same
old appeasement! A & I
terribly upset. And even Margaret
Quarrel w. A. over Franco's
reference to Catholic Kings
imposing duty to take [illegible]
office 10.5. Tel. fr. Kitty
Hunter asking about [illegible].
Worked on Desmond's Drama
Lunch Savile. Kendall Dunn [illegible]
Spoke to Geoffrey Russell about
Gilbey: w. Paul Beath - ext.
him 5/-. Worked on Desmond's
Drama. Call fr. M. Bailey
to try to get payment for
August Newkiff. Worked
on Desmond. Worked from
Ben Nicholson, Ivan Moffat
& John Wyndham for getting
away week of 2 infants a night
of it each of Alfreda & Ricki
who came up at Ambely today
Martyn Beckett was to join them
at 11. A & I dinner. She w. to her mother
& I read Desmond's article

Broadcast-abstract of Hitlers speech of appeasement.

Friday, July 19

Warmer with sun in the morning. Met McRandell at bus. stop. Says old gang find D. Gaulle hard. left Office 9.50. Telephoned to Mr Dekrick who is at work on St Michael which he promises for Monday. Hope to god it will do. Dictated Miss D. B. Worked on Drummonds "Dreams". 12. Ham at Andrews. Lunch Rand Richardson Jones. Talk McWhirter who has been called up as airman, wants con. of his pay continued and Miss Sibley to carry on. W. Drummond about his Dreams. To Victoria & met C., A., + Pinkie. A. lost her ticket, and I tried to get her through to find it on train. Man at barrier said she'd to pay + A. went back to booking office, + found ticket on floor. 'Sleep-in' difficulty on train. Call for policeman. Need instructions about fill in forms. Dinner. Long call from Vicar about black out. Walked over windows + went out to see. Started filling out Aliens forms.

Saturday, July 20

Pleasant but windy enough. Filled in C.'s form for [illegible] and [illegible] mail. Talked C. Humphrey about various work. A. at work taking sides of curtains for black out. Cut [illegible] pattern and went through [illegible] with him. [illegible] and Nora helped A. taking curtains until C. went to [illegible] when we stopped so as not to disturb him. Joined A. & Prickie by the lake and cut dead willows and [illegible] and apple that were [illegible] on others. Got ax and chopped trunk of willow in water. Tea and then a [illegible] to work round pond. C. & I to Mrs [illegible] & I bought English willow pattern dishes. Then on to [illegible] house and bought whiskey & a [illegible] for Dad. Built a. Dinner and Raymond Gram Swing on Democratic Convention. Glad Roosevelt is running. [illegible] a [illegible] on radio. Looked at Eric Gill's nudes.

Read V. [illegible]'s book on Russia

Sunday, July 21

[9th Sunday after Trinity.

W. vouchers for Miss Mata
and her friends to play
golf for ½ green fee. All
had breakfast together
C gave Charles his cheque
and remonstrated at charge
of 6d. extra on kitchen's pay.
Girls, continued their chopping
down by pond. C. read papers
and W. letters; I worked on
analysis of Tribute account
for M-in-law. Went down to
town and fetched C. silver. C [illegible]
was returning and C. put them in
chest in dining room. Laughed
a great deal at luncheon.
Went on with account all
the afternoon. Finished after
tea. Down to pond to see
what girls had been doing.
Making it much neater.
C and I listened to General Smuts
broadcasting for South Africa
W. Olivier about giving her name
as reference. C & I down to
wood lane. Down & on up road
to downs. Dined & walked w. A.

Broadcast — [illegible] by [illegible]
written [illegible] & [illegible]

got lapis lazuli bracelet - for A. at Carved Corner

Monday, July 22

Up before 7. Gave
[illegible] [illegible] & hinges for
Paris for trap door.
Read V. [illegible] all the
way to [illegible]. Office
10.30 St Michael memorial
for Dunnick. Wrote to Perry
Office. Chiswick. Tel to Miss D.
Dunnick who was pleased that I
liked his design. Dictated
Miss D. B. Read and revised
Airman proof. Lunch [illegible].
Talk West about his leaving.
Walked from [illegible] group at
new [illegible] opp. St [illegible]. Talk
to Cook 8 St Christopher place.
He advised [illegible] [illegible] for
screen. Told him of our Venetian
figures and said that Hacker only
had a pair like them. He said
that N's were very bad & very
late and I got angry. Home [illegible]
shorts for Martin. Bath. Dinner
fruit. Read all evening in
[illegible] [illegible] Russian M.

Cook & Grey - which my

Tuesday, July 23

Very tired and did not get up till 8:30. Office 9:30. Finished V. [illegible] & worked on Chapters [illegible] and [illegible]. Declined present business [illegible] Mr. Cook. Lunch @ [illegible] think this [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Saccharin also [illegible] one [illegible] & butter into a tray. Tables [illegible] to say [illegible] [illegible]. Worked on interest for Soiller question; LW acknowledged offer [illegible] Duplicate. Bus home. Watered & pruned trees in garden. Margaret & [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] had been into larger gardens. Bath. Dressed. Lunch done. Read John McNeillie new novel. It is about hard farming life and takes [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] with the [illegible] of their army. Was [illegible] [illegible]. Conservative [illegible] essentially selfish to [illegible] Country & [illegible]

Sunset P.M. Cold [illegible] Cool & grey "Rain in Franciscan [illegible] mail letter [illegible]"

Wednesday, July 24

Up early. Cabinet decided to mitigate policy of internment which has almost resembled Nazi Concentration Camps, and to relieve unemployment [illegible] [illegible]. P.M. all right but [illegible] [illegible] - Office 9.30. A. ~~[illegible]~~ lapis [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Call fr. Viscount Datt - wants [illegible] his [illegible]: Tel. fr. C. [illegible] Ambulance. Got [illegible] "Give & Take Club" Lunch [illegible]. Mr Miller back fr. Army Ministry. Thinks he will take job in new [illegible] [illegible] County [illegible] suggested by Beaverbrook. Read Mrs Neill [illegible]. Pinkie & A Martyr [illegible] and our Spencer Smith [illegible] for a party. Got [illegible] home at 4.30. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. A new lapis brought [illegible] small on the right [illegible]. Couldn't get it on left [illegible]. The bracelet at time of [illegible] [illegible] after dinner. Read Bible for girls [illegible].

[illegible]

Call P. O. re P. [illegible] bus-
conditions. Lunch re Douglas Leighton
re binding [illegible]

Thursday, July 25

Bed 12.30. up late. Office
10.30. Revised circular
for Hydro frame Sutton
Garden. Worked on Atlantic
letter proof. Talk West who
has been a few days to get
his picture sufficiently unframed etc.
Dictated letters D. B. Lunch
Harcourt Douglas Leighton
whom I had hoped to see
on the chance. Bought blue
and green tweed for summer
black suit. Got piece of
Arran blue cloth from
Noss for matching up on
our frock. Talk Scott
about Arran letter. Don't
think he likes it much.
Home weeded the garden by
the railing. Carl went back
to Amherst. C. & I dinner
scrambled eggs & [illegible]
[illegible]. Read Bible and
felt inclined to [illegible]
Abraham Isaac and Jacob.
Talk C. Bed 11.30

Friday, July 26

Rain in night. Office 10.30 Call fr. Rappaport to talk about A.S.I.A. program & his ~~Ballet~~ book and / of his work on new book. Worked on Arman's letter and Call fr. Douglas Leighton and Beagh Ltd. cannot come to lunch as he is still moving. Told I could not make another appointment as last two days had upset my engagements. Lunch Chicago school. Drew up ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] for Arman. Call fr: Burritt who will print it. Signed letters. Mr Richards with Mr Thompson when I said goodbye. Met E. at Victoria. She thought she would miss train as her aged porter seemed paralysed in his feet. Spoke to Beth Mathews. A. and Peter drove to station to meet us. After dinner talked up stairs & bedded in spare room. N.C. made gun-mark case [illegible] hot. Splashes of rain

Saturday, July 27.

Cheques for Charly [illegible] from [illegible] who lives up near the stone [illegible] adjoining Filbys. Brought back [illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible] thus he had [illegible] out by walk. A. & I and Pinkie changed carpet in teachers' sitting room for old Dutch matting and cut strips so that they could get at [illegible] stove. Hinges wrong. Must get some others. A & I & Pinkie started work on the [illegible] garden at end of pleached walk. After tea, went back and worked till ten [illegible] until we made it look like a Dantesque grotto of bare tree trunks. Cleared up after tea. A & I picked plums. [illegible] the [illegible] with weights. John Wyndham arrived and just after we went in to dinner Martyn Beckett who drove himself down & found [illegible]

Lovely sunny morning

Sunday, July 28

[10th Sunday after Trinity.

To bed 1 o'c after finishing mending gas-mask case. Seem to be developing aggressive piles [illegible] strain from physical work yesterday. Aeroplanes all night & Marilyn's talk kept me awake. G & I breakfast 9 o'c. Young 10 o'c. W. Diary. Aeroplanes still buzzing. Walk down to wood with Dan. G & I to Church [illegible] [illegible] farm grass. Talk [illegible] about having better [illegible] grass as before, instead of [illegible] weeds. Dan to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] work. After lunch work digging up plantains. Also not right season & grass will not grow in the places till next year. Pinkie & Marilyn went for walk. H & Helen sat about at home. After tea A. back up plantain digging. G & I and Dan walk to Wickham. Bath etc. [illegible] [illegible] after dinner. Park

Pulling on an [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the Nuts [illegible] [illegible]. Read [illegible]

Mr Bland has another job —
called to say goodbye. This week
is his holiday

Monday, July 29

Waken up at 5 by
Clock striking as I knew
Marley was supposed to be
called then. Soon Sargent
went in to his room and
the [illegible] & voices came thro'
crack in door. Then at 6.20
Sargent called John to get him
to station at 7.10 thinking train
7.15 tho' I knew it was 7.30
Sargent called me at 7
Had slept since 5. Read
[illegible] pile in [illegible] Rest
then I got Sargent to dig out
Conduct [illegible] in [illegible] —
& translated. Dictated this C.
& Mrs D.O. Lunch [illegible]
[illegible] letter coming along
[illegible] asking for [illegible]
agreement 23 to [illegible].
Call fr. Philip [illegible] for
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
signed letter. Bright. [illegible]
[illegible]. Got [illegible] [illegible]
fr. [illegible] [illegible] & bath etc.
Dinner [illegible] late. Read McNeill

Cool ~ grey day

Tuesday, July 30

Little in papers, but large scale bombing seems to have begun. Took car to dress. Fixed up bandages for piles. Doesn't seem to be improving. Probably have to see doctor. Office 10.30 Talk Mr S.A.T about Mr Miller evidently would like him to go. Call from Mr Paul of Rights about [illegible]. Call fr. Burridge re. American delegation Mrs D.B. [illegible] Council. Long talk Frankie Dyall about Conrad Noel and Holy Communion. He was much struck by my idea of [illegible] [illegible] ([illegible] Cook). Call from Owen Rutter. Talk S.A.T re Miller. Signed letters. Home bus. Watered trees. Long Bath, tr. Fruit dinner. Read MacNeice's [illegible]. T.L.C. Poetry [illegible] [illegible]. Russian Tones. A. has bad cold caught fr. Annie

[illegible]

Hair
cut

Wednesday, July 31

Slept well last night & up before. Office 10.10

GUN LICENCES EXPIRE

Talk various S.A.H. especially about Clifford & W.O.N. W. dictation Miss D.B. Dictated Mr Cook letter to Mudge asking him to consider 3 week trust contract no [illegible] initial. Lunch [illegible] read article about work of American journal "Life" suggested for book but not good enough. To Topper having my hair cut 3.45-4.45 Back signed letters. Mr S.H.T. had call fr. Dr Stopes who wanted money and an introduction for Monetary information! Worked late on Simmons jacket. [illegible] German [illegible] Sheet. America and [illegible] in Sept. [illegible] Home. I had bath & then went to see Violet B.O. She was out

[illegible]

Thursday, August 1

Felt much more rested
office 9.50. Call fr. Beaumont
[illegible] copy for his Diaghilev
book. Dictated Mr. L.C.
Mrs D.B. has a bad cold so
have not let her come in
to take dictation. Talk
Mr Miller who has been given
a job in a munition firm. Hope
he will be able to make it
½ time and to continue with
us. Lunch C. L'Etoile. Mr West
came up to say goodbye
goes into Air Force tomorrow as
Pilot Officer. 3 typed letters
to John McNeill about his
[illegible]. Home 5 o'c and
had bath etc. Joined C. at
Cocktail party [illegible]. Jos
Addison – [illegible] opera. Violet
Markham, Celia Noble, Kit
Elliott, et al. – C. & I sandwiches
at Scott's. Then Thunder Rock
saw Salter, Betts A & C, & had

Cool & grey.

Friday, August 2

Office 9.50. Asked Miss
C. to take charge of
Royalty statements to
which she responded gratefully
Dictated Miss C. Dictated
Mrs D.B. report of J. McK.
on his novel. Then called.
Told S.A.T. about page proofs
need. Call for Cole on [illegible]
for Kinsale. To Globe [illegible]
and found my umbrella that
left last Friday. Bought
3 yd. cloth for black coat
Revised proof of Anne Jackson
signed letters. To Fisher and
bought hinges for temp
Arr. Dr Hutchell French [illegible]
lunch Cheddar Roast.
Finished up at office. To V. Station
C. arrived last night with Mary
with whom she had been
[illegible] late in station. Mary
saw us off. Says she will come
to Amherst next week. Met
by A. W. bad cold & Pinkie.
Bath ex. Dinner + wood. Read large

Amberley Pinkie left 10 o'c.

Saturday, August 3

Lovely day. Breakfast 9:30 o'c. To C. Humphrey at work building up wall next to Filby. Talk chiefly various. Tell Miss Allen who has come there water. Looked at his siding and drove to see Crawhurst about balustrade for our cellar stairs. Talking to Mr. Dalquist on the way. Tel. to Cover about timber for our cellar door. Down to lake with A. and looked at work she and Pinkie had done cutting dead trees. Had dinner. Nannie is getting A's cold. A. and I cut up black out cloth in strips. Then spent afternoon experimenting with painting moulding & spare time moulding. After tea walk to P.O. with A. Went in. Headache. Bath. Dinner. P.M. spoke ominously of invasion. Read in C. – good part to [illegible] and Kato's and Pants

French Cabinet [illegible]

Sunday, August 4

Misty morning and rumours of

[H.M. THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY. [11th Sunday after Trinity.

sirens at Arundel. Up early
starting taking up black out strips.
Then A. & I took [illegible]
making [illegible] strands to
shed and then got back our [illegible]
talk chiefly about timber from
Cover. G. to church. I went on
with black out strips and did 7
windows by luncheon time.
Vicar & Mrs Fleming & daughter
to luncheon. Mrs Fleming on crutches
with broken leg. Did two more
windows. Then A & I worked
on wardrobe and settled on
pink grey green & yellow. Stopped
for tea and then went on painting
knot vermilion. Then G. & I to a
walk in wood [illegible]. Olive and
her Dick [illegible], and little boy
with Dalmatian dog. We had a
row. His coat is [illegible]
[illegible] built it. Dinner in [illegible]
[illegible] after [illegible]. Last Sunday
Great wonderful talk by Priestley
1914-1940 Read in [illegible]. Dont mind
the [illegible] to an black out.
My [illegible] uncertain, but glad

through warnings and [illegible] at sea

Slightly

Monday, August 5

BANK HOLIDAY

Misty morning and hardly clear all day. Ominous feeling and sound of guns but Charles thought it was practice. Quiet [illegible] only [illegible] occasion at supper. Talk Charles and telephoning course about cellar door etc. Polly telephoned to said leave cancelled. She wanted to go to London first. Mr Sam & got up a party [illegible] Pinky & Marty [illegible] but I discouraged it and she was upset [illegible]. Her cold is very bad. I worked taking up strips to North room windows. Ella joined me and helped before luncheon and again after. Tacked up strips in Kitchen & maids room - Mrs [illegible] alone who does her work in afternoon dinner. A. & I sorted out her sewing from drawer in [illegible] shell and then [illegible] to paper control. After tea C. & I walked to Black Horse & got chicken. To Hawthorns, talking to Saxton Smith. Both in. After dinner Punkis telephoned, chit

Tuesday, August 6

Sargent took me to station for Sneat home. Leaves today to join army. 9.10. train. Saw Evelyn & Lavinia on platform at Marlborough. Mrs Read 1 pge in train & bus. Left [illegible] Wyndham's umbrella at 29 [illegible] Sq. Felt constant slight heart twinges. Appt 11.25. Dilated M. & C. Mrs SAT suggests book on Burke's [illegible]. Left A's bracelet & earrings at Chaco [illegible] to be mended. Lunch in Stables Room. Read long. Signed letter. Call [illegible]. Young & agreed [illegible] fuller [illegible] in Brixton Prison. Bought fruit. Home bus. Watered [illegible]. Purcell's maid in garden & packing [illegible]. Went [illegible] evening [illegible] along Bayswater Road. Bought dinner fruit. Margaret on holiday. Chatted a bit with friend [illegible] who is a freelance [illegible] and has taken [illegible]. Read Beaumont's Ballet book. Good.

[illegible]

Cool grey

Wednesday, August 7

[illegible]

Paper gives news from Germany discussing why they have not attacked England yet. Office 10.00 c. Dictated Miss D. B. agreement Guy to get Fall & [illegible] Ddals and McNeillie Mulheghan Farm. Call fr. Kennedy, been gone into R.A.F Observer Corps. Miss Sidey says Mr West staying near London in the Aldershot region. Told her we will look after Putnam London American business. Worked on Beaum. outs Daughter. Mr Miller came from his new job to give part trial here Lewdy Cecil Rosalie Jones. To see Beaumont & his shop. Bought some American cloth for Aubrey blackout. Spent afternoon on Beaumont and finished it. Hyam bus. Ordered aspirin Ointment mainly for stock. Finished writing knitting on Buys into Crd. Bath ex. Dinner fruit. Read further novel and Book of Crft. Tel. C.

Cool. grey. getting warmer

Thursday, August 8

Office. 9.30. Read. w. SAT there. Buridge had not started printing. Heinemann jacket. Spent morning going over Bible copy with Beaumont. Lunch Trulbean. Checked Agreements with Ing. & McNeill. Dictated. Mr Cook who is at work on Royalty statements. Telephoned to Chiswick Press about Herman Ed. Also to Buridge & Bigelow about getting copies of book. Long talk with SAT about business. He is anxious about his own position and dissatisfied with his salary reduction, may even be thinking of leaving. Publishing evidently very much affected by war etc! I must be very gentle and sympathetic with him and all the staff. Home bus. Bath etc. dressed and went to dinner at Carreras where I saw Dennells, Simon, George & other young couples. Home worked on 83 [illegible] book. N.C.

Another mild grey day.

Friday, August 9

Called [illegible] on way to office & got some news of Miss Schu[illegible] — says simple operation. Dictated Miss C. about Fullerton's wrapper for [illegible] and letter received from [illegible], and copies of book from [illegible]. Sent out advance review copies. Mrs Crate at work on royalty statements and getting the hang of them. Mrs D.B. going on holiday next week as her husband will have 7 days leave. She is finishing the McNeile agreement for Honeyplace Farm. Received excellent specimen p. for large paper [illegible] from Chiswick Press. Worked on Diamond's Drum and went to [illegible]. Luncheon there and asked permit Windsor & Newton for [illegible] [illegible] signed letter. Picked up prints at [illegible] & 5.4 train to [illegible]. Slept most of the way in train. [illegible] [illegible] better. [illegible] not easy [illegible] talk of [illegible] or [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] out on [illegible] croft as I walked home.

A. at Wallingford. After dinner read [illegible]

Saturday, August 10

ROYAL ACADEMY CLOSES.

Slept well. Breakfast 10. Windy day with [illegible] of light rain. Talked Charly. Decided to pretend clean- or [illegible] bone day. Humphrey has finished works by Filby's. Looks very well. Talk Humphrey who is making Ella any windows. He has taken out bricks. Combed Dom. Tel. [illegible] about door. After lunch cut American cloth into strips and Nannie sewed together for blackout. Washed off [illegible] paint fr. wardrobe ready for painting. W. + N. take prints. Cleared out garage making room for furniture. To shed. Weeded plantains in yard. Tea. G. + I looked at tunnel + engine house as shelter. Walked round lake much water in it. Girls cut out dead [illegible] tree. Down to P.O. Picked pansies. Bath. Churning. Listening to Am. commentary big business isolationists for

& breaking my hands out. Paid them when we get home.

Sunday, August 11

[12th Sunday after Trinity.

Breakfast 10 o'c. Took the carriage pictures to studio and went over place noting work to be done. Talk Mrs. Scarland about preserving furniture. Made list of other things for Charles to do. C. [illegible] paper & telling me items of news. Horrible reports of unhappy troops in France. [illegible] suggested for portrait Mabelle. Went over list of work with Charles. After lunch, started composition at once, sitting first on front steps & then on gable bench opposite. Vicar & [illegible] & other neighbours passed. Took out at least a bushel of matted hair. Disgraceful condition. Watched plantains in grass. Tea and wrote out list of things for Charles to do the week. J. C. + 1 Read Malatov

walks to wild woods to his children [illegible]

After dinner [illegible] fresh, steam [illegible]

Monday, August 12

Mrs Mather with Mrs [illegible]
took me to station GROUSE SHOOTING BEGINS.
on way to school. Read
[illegible] while waiting for
9.10. John Mathias showed
me tracks of high flying aeroplane - long line of
white fr. W. to E. Read
[illegible] in train - many record
of [illegible] foreign [illegible]! Read
[illegible]. Mrs D. B. on holiday
Dictated Mr O. Tel. [illegible] /
and planned binding newspaper
for [illegible] papers. Began dr. letter
to Mr [illegible] child; [illegible] at [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] that
who always my liking for old
stamps. Bad [illegible] [illegible]
at B. S. C. Home to office by
Piccadilly. Came with [illegible]
[illegible]. [illegible] by [illegible] [illegible]
Bought grapes & bananas.
[illegible] Mrs. H. & [illegible] here.
[illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] tea; gave
two Sundays. She & A. going out
to party [illegible]. [illegible] did letter
Bath etc. Fruit dinner.
Worked on [illegible] [illegible]
as possible to Tel. at night
without his [illegible]. Tel. Q.
She heard of battle near [illegible] and
that [illegible] heard nothing yet

Tuesday, August 13

Bad raid over Portsmouth yesterday. Distressed to hear C. alone at Amberley. Office 9.50. Dictated Miss Cabb. all fr. Albert Cahen author of Salat. Worked on Autumn list. Tel. fr A. going to Amberley with Pinkie. Lunch Claridge. Roast & read C's will. Went on with Autumn list. David Turnbull called in in sailor uniform looking the perfect charmer. Called W. Alley about Bruce Lockhart agreement & about Claire for Simon Guggenheim refund advance. C. called up while I was out. I telephoned her in and she described air-raid of the morning at 10 o'c. Roaring of numerous planes very high like a dynamo for hours. Incidents and one terrific explosion proved to be near Chatham. She tried to get under bed as advised but too hard. Sensation like earthquake. Vases & bobbing & [illegible]. [illegible] a ten- [illegible] & [illegible] Wirt, [illegible]

Wednesday, August 14

Office 9.45. Dictated
letters to Henry Moore. I
~~[illegible]~~ took it round
to Medley Dept. Tel.
Chiswick re Wrights to get
Large paper Aikman sketch
Tel Swiss Embassy about Dr.
N asked re [illegible]
Dean Inge's book for
catalogue and other things.
Capt Whitefield has bought
1000 copies of Aikman's letter
Talk with Mr Frederick he has
been through another course
of treatment and looks very
thin but handsome. Went
on with catalogue and w.
about sex [illegible]
Home bus. Watered trees and
weeded [illegible] of small garden
also turned myself away for [illegible]
Bath etc. Dinner cooked by
Christina - Baked fish runner beans &
rice pudding. Wasted on Desmond
Shanks - tried hard to get through
[illegible] C. A. - Parkin

Thursday, August 15

Office 10 05. Tel. fr. Marsty re getting over the difficulty about having Shalatchev play. Call fr. Beaumont. Herbt hopeful re plagiarism. Dictated Mrs Cook. Telephone from Geoffrey Russell who says that Mildred and Mrs Carter [illegible] of Time [illegible] hearing Bennett's "Here we are and here we stop." Mildred owes me about £300. for building etc. Lunch Garrick. [illegible] Stopped at Cameo Corner for [illegible] bracelet for Aunt Edith. [illegible] fr. Lights about German bombing. Talk S.A.T. Astaley [illegible] and about: [illegible] Shalatchev. 6.4 to [illegible] Walked fr. station as A. & [illegible] [illegible] at Shrewington and A. could not meet me with car. Air raid warning and children taken into cellar. Man came from [illegible] and offered £20. for [illegible]. [illegible] Talk G. about shelter for [illegible] Nothing decided. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Dinner. [illegible] with A. Finished after dinner.

Mended [illegible]
patch on shoes / was married in 11.55

Friday, August 16

P.M.

Warm still day with air-raid warnings almost perpetually and many air craft zooming overhead all day. Up late. Telegram from someone who is interested in engine. Telephone fr. Burgess man, English, who offered £22.10.0 which I refused. He [illegible] £. Then [illegible] about [illegible] [illegible] & letter for Paris. E's room wonderfully altered with [illegible] and [illegible]. [illegible] picture of Roman temple to fit into old frame. Took E. to see room and new wall, passage to garden. Room greatly improved by [illegible]. Children [illegible] [illegible] to alter. Yellow [illegible], at last [illegible] in orchard. After tea, E & I spent afternoon [illegible] cupboard in [illegible] after I had combed [illegible] which I [illegible] every week. After tea E & I went to walk on Downs, [illegible] red [illegible]. Passed Frank Pepper in the [illegible] and without his teeth. Bath ex. After dinner [illegible] [illegible] letter. Helped A. with [illegible] puzzle. Talked to [illegible] about [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Keith.

Mended [illegible] A.M.

Amberley Country Day ! !
Crops parched for lack of rain

Saturday, August 17

Stayed in bed till 9 like yesterday and felt more rested. After breakfast saw [illegible] Purdy Crum about engine and I used it and all accounts were paid 4.10. Saw Humphry later & left for cellar store and settled with him about storage to come. At went over work with Elliot who has done all the things I put in list for him last week. Started list of things to be done next week. Surprisingly quiet all day. No air raids. Talk Howell and told him to take any fruit or vegetables that he wanted. Tel. to Walcott who had telegraphed about engine & told him it was sold. Got out cider for luncheon. A. and I spent afternoon from 5 [illegible] S. and Pinker had tea with child as Nanny had gone to her brother at Walden for week end. Then W. A. Walker came [illegible] about garden. We thought it was Brewster Douglas and his disciples who were expected according to letter to S. [illegible] long promised to be [illegible] of Purdy who had come down [illegible]. Watched [illegible] in [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] had [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Talked on the [illegible] [illegible]

Sunday, August 18

[13th Sunday after Trinity

Up late. Thought I heard
siren at 4.30 and did not
sleep until after [illegible]
10 o'C. G & I to Church. Sermon
on [illegible] was a C. [illegible]
[illegible] and the other prophets.
To Charlie's grave, pink Carnations
[illegible]. Carrie died 18 years ago
today. Taking up [illegible]
black out cloth on [illegible]
before and after Church and
after lunch. Then A. and I
worked pretty [illegible]
which is turning out very
well. Raids all the afternoon
and A. saw bombers diving and
rising. G. V. S. and A. to Pinkie's
tea with Violet and Dobby and
her Guido Reni daughter
Catherine. Then to the M.
Miguels and the others. [illegible]
[illegible] and his straight young
[illegible] in a singlet after bathing.
Gave the Miguels [illegible]
letter. Home and H. and I went
on with [illegible]. Think it
will be great success. [illegible]
[illegible] and [illegible].
After dinner A. practices
Pinkie's [illegible] North [illegible]
I talked to [illegible] about music.
[illegible]
[illegible]. Out [illegible] [illegible]

Up some [illegible] in either [illegible]

Monday, August 19

A. dreams on [illegible] Father
Patricia Latham had been this
sick. 8 oc. Team's disorganized
again by [illegible] & on [illegible]
line!. Read. Dan's letter.
Office 11.15. Dictated Mr. [illegible]
Mr. Dean Bryan, back. Talk
about Tierman's letter.
Lunch Carriers. Dick Taylor
says I ought not to ask
action. Got assembly worker
Hopkins Purvis. Took Matthews
Chapin Shearer. Office again.
3.30. Signed letters. W. Cady.
[illegible] Letter for N.Y. Times.
Call fr. Sidney Livingstone up
from [illegible] [illegible] from
Portsmouth. Hooks, pens and
Browns cheerful. Home with
grapes and [illegible] and apples
from Amherst. Read Daily
[illegible] etc. Bath, ex. First
dinner. Read Times. Thought
about jacket for [illegible]. Stayed
with Thomas + [illegible]. Bed early!

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Tuesday, August 20

Slept well. Office 10 o'c.
Talk Mrs Sidney. Dictated
Mr Cous & Mrs Dann Byers.
Talk S.A.T. re. 2 prints of
Diaghilev ——. Lunch Garrick
Dan McMillan. Bought 1
Chair Webbs in Percy Street.
Signed letters. Worked most of
afternoon up to six o'clock
when I left on Desmond's
request. They are very good
but. They [illegible] aug to his
[illegible] and edited by him
from [illegible]. Walked there and was
accosted by young Dutch (Jewess?)
refugee & he further asked about
a flat. Advised him to apply to
Fabian Society. Talk to D.A. his name
is H. Falk, 53 Compton Street NW5
Came on train as I could not
hang up around in Estate as I intended
Dutch fag. Rested on bed before dinner
Picking on a part with M only, &
spending the night. Frank Swinnerton
Lewis's 89 on Desmond's. Dell
Tel. G.A. dining his Simon, Sebastian

Wednesday, August 21

Slept well. Patrick going back to [illegible]. Tel. Leighton about large paper [illegible]. Dictated Mrs Cook. Called [illegible] Museum agreeing to Shakespeare [illegible]. Dictated Mrs [illegible] Byers and returned Bragdon copy. Worked on [illegible] Drafts and got off balance of copy to Chautauqua Press. Lunch Childs Roast and read Japanese life by Saigo. Signed letters. Call for [illegible] of Leighton [illegible] Worked on Mrs Eddy. G. called up. Had had lunch. Wants [illegible] [illegible] got back at 12 o'c after [illegible] evening with Asquith. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] health [illegible] [illegible] revised adv. for [illegible] in Times & sent to Buffington. Home. Tacked [illegible] [illegible] in Catalpa tree. Bath etc. Met G. returning from film [illegible] Parody. Dinner [illegible] home. She has [illegible] chauffeur handyman [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Churchill [illegible]

Thursday, August 22

Talk C. about Hester. Think
she could be trained as house-
keeper's aid. Office 10.10. S.W.T.,
[illegible] on 2 [illegible] and digestive
symptoms. Discussing holiday.
Dictated with Miss Dorn Byrne
until after 12. Again Mr C.
[illegible] at get [illegible] with royalty
statements & then dictated to
Miss Cook. Worked on Mrs
Day. Worked on adv. for
Kingdom Come. Signed letters
etc. Chemist. Press about
using blue ink for queen ad
popular edition illustration
Mr. S.W.T. going to press with new
edition. Talk S.W.T. about his
heart-attack advised him how to
frequent indigestion pains in or by heart
[illegible] as [illegible] & Blackburn. They had an
[illegible] who said Private [illegible] would be private
for the internment of aliens. Met C. Victoria
[illegible] 6.18 [illegible]. Mr Matthews said
[illegible] of Diana's [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] Chalmers occupied by
Germans. Bring back. Mr Shaw[illegible].
[illegible] dinner. [illegible]
[illegible] a holiday. & [illegible]
Bed [illegible] 12.40. [illegible]

Friday, August 23

[illegible]. Waken at 3.30 by what seemed tremendous bomb it was very near. G. called me and we lay on floor by her bed. Both up and about. Heard children going into shelter in cottage cellar & suddenly noise of planes quieted down and we went back to bed but difficult to sleep. Breakfast 10 o'c. C. [illegible] at [illegible] on stairs to garden. Main morning [illegible]. [illegible] for [illegible] Mrs. Scotland left for holiday. Opened silver chest - no [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] pickle jar. G. [illegible] at [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] & Cynthia [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] with [illegible] little [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. After lunch [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] beds of yellow [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. He is a kind gentleman. A. and I finished [illegible] [illegible]. Quick tea and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Don [illegible] [illegible] and stayed out with [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] when I was dressing. He feels the [illegible] tension and [illegible] to stay close to me. After dinner listened to [illegible] and [illegible] over [illegible]. [illegible] and A. [illegible] [illegible] and G and I [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] after [illegible] [illegible] night.

Saturday, August 24

Quiet night and slept well. Heard [illegible] bombers but no bombs. Slept [illegible] until 9 o'c. Had apple instead of oranges for economy, is bad rather awful. Breakfast at 10 o'c. Told Charley that we can't keep kitten on indefinitely. Gave Alice Allen Queens letter of thanks for [illegible] chocolates, to [illegible]. Tel. Carr & Brennan about charging battery for garage. Fastened sole of Dan's sneaker. Helped C. get out yellow toilet set for spare room. To P.O. with G. and to Blueck Store for Whiskey & Sherry & Dan went this unit. On way home stopped at Mrs [illegible] & found yellow sponge bowl for spare room set. Tel. for [illegible] inspector about 3 against insurance co. Air raid warning before and after lunch. Coached Dan's cont. He looks wonderfully better and not at all fat. He went off to watch his children & A. & P. Cleaned outside of his kennel & fixed brick ones in [illegible] Stones for [illegible] Nearly arrived unexpectedly early. Picked & sorted plums. After tea dug up plantains in yard. G. [illegible] [illegible] for paste for photographs [illegible] & cigs. Mrs G. Bates ex Japan reg. [illegible] arrived late for dinner

Sunday, August 25

[14th Sunday after Trinity.

Up as usual at 9 o'c. Breakfast in; young people at 10. A. & P. at Croxton last night with 2. G. & Agnes. I read [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible], and studied questions etc. for [illegible]. In evening [illegible] [illegible]. Young people [illegible] to see Price [illegible] about [illegible] & the bathroom. Brought out framed Roman picture, school of Piranesi. Lovely day sun & cloud. Walked to wood, my garden [illegible] things look rather weak. Fair crop of apples. After lunch, [illegible] [illegible] in garden. Mr Fibbs [illegible] [illegible] who is going to [illegible] as short-hand typist. [illegible] we shall have army of 7 million and [illegible] Holland. [illegible] in [illegible]. Alice Nash going to [illegible] who expects to [illegible] after [illegible] wedding. Alice [illegible] at [illegible] of book binding. Said [illegible]. A picked me clarkias & I gave her [illegible] for [illegible] for picnic. G. at tea alone. [illegible] G. W. Hamilton in Marine uniform came to see us in [illegible]. Gave [illegible] 4/- Signed [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Wells [illegible]. Chas [illegible] second volume. G. & I, [illegible]

Amberley
Monday, August 26

Marlys left in car at 6. John at 7.15. I took my usual train at 9.10 taking up apples. Read Drummond's paper in train. Office 11.15. Opened letters. Dictated Miss C. Call for Stalker who has been put into group for aeroplane engineering. He may have lost him. Dictated Miss Cook. Lunch Garrick. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Spoke to Eddie Knoblock in car outside. Call from Mrs John and talked of a book on Air raids for Children, for Xt, a view of wartime ways. Air Raid warning & then I went into basement and then came up and talked in passage outside my room. All clear at 4. S.H.T. and I talked of business for Americans letter. Sir [illegible] [illegible] got out figures and we lost only £400, first ½ year. Dictated Miss C. Signed letters. Bought grapes & bananas. Home. Bath [illegible]. Early dinner. Talk. [illegible]. Read evening; sat in [illegible] worked on [illegible] list. Bed 12 m.

Tuesday, August 27

Heard planes over [illegible]
Suddenly and roused by [illegible]
alarm at 4.30. Slept well.
Margaret apparently and Christine
sat in library all night.
Office 9.55. S. A. T. Davies.
Attended [illegible] [illegible] on [illegible]
[illegible]. Dictated Mrs Cook.
Tel. fr: C. girls up every
night at Canteen. Asked
about Sunday raids but
couldn't tell her anything.
Call fr. Mr West [illegible], call
fr. Mr Clifford: lunch [illegible]
Exp. Daily. Called [illegible]
about Bruck [illegible]
agreement. Went to Office
[illegible] worked on Autumn
List. Late. Home. Bath etc.
Fruit dinner. Bed. Read evening.
Tel. C. G says girls have been up
doing canteen every night & are
getting tired. Worked [illegible] papers
Tel: fr Chris [illegible] Chickens & Chief
get lessons. Will spend night Pratts. All
chest just as well. [illegible] [illegible] Auntie [illegible] 1/2 [illegible] [illegible] but slept well.

Up late. Office 10.15 —
Miss Sears still away. Dictated
Mrs C. Mrs D.B. is at
work on Dingbats by Sage
Pifer. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
and estimates and [illegible]
w T [illegible] questionnaires for
[illegible] in some [illegible].
Call fr. Mr Edwards and
[illegible] about Autumn list.
Call fr. Clifford and talked
about books by Eric Gill
Mrs [illegible] and a book on
Good Men. Lunch Holborn.
On way got A's red leather bag
for [illegible] [illegible] from Cook.
Worked on Stuart Kennedy
examining his references [illegible]
Dictated long letter to him to
Miss C. Mrs D.B. making good
progress on Dingbats 18
Walked home. Bath etc.
Fruit dinner. Rain warm and
spent evening reading MacCarthy
on Liberality. Went to bed
as usual but could not sleep
very well, though I heard no
particular noises

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Thursday, August 29

Office 10.00. Mr SAT back. Call fr Beaumont: about his proof, for which I had suggestions. Dictated Mr Cook. Mrs D.B. Checked MacCarthy prop for me [illegible] [illegible] on Lifar's Diaghilev. Tel: about cover for Autumn List. Lunch. [illegible]. Cards Adams [illegible] [illegible]. Bought Dog biscuits [illegible]. Dictated Mrs Cook letter to M-in-law. Talk SAT about air-raids. 5.4 train [illegible]. Met by A. at station. C. at [illegible] where there has been another bomb very near, exploding with a terrible crack, bringing down Jacky's ceiling and killing a dog at the [illegible] [illegible] a crater where Jacky's friend with whom he had been [illegible] had been standing a minute before. [illegible] A. have [illegible] put [illegible] charge of canteen at golf-club. After dinner read Diaghilev proof [illegible] worked [illegible] or [illegible] [illegible]

Friday, August 30

Slept badly with aeroplanes droning over head going and coming back – was it German or an English patrol? Letter from Storkie telling of battle over Westerham and over a hundred bombs dropped. Poor Storkie. To see C. Humphrey making stair case to Granary with flying arch. Charlie has cleared Elder hen yard to add to garden. Guils went to [illegible] to work in Canteen. I spent morning improving black-out in servants' quarters. Stopped to go about with picking flowers. Went on with black out work after luncheon. Great sound of AA firing at 12 o'c to N.E. Heard later of battle at [illegible]. Prin Alice has framed Queen's letter of thanks for taking in evacuated children. Painted sides with old gas paint & lino in porch. Children gave singing entertainment in Studio. Both Mulligans probably cleaning

Brimley & money

Saturday, August 31

Heard bomb at 1.30 wh. Mr Stopps said this morning was at Ford station where engine drivers got under a goods train for safety and was injured by tile roof. Office not to accept [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] yesterday. Charles left by 9.10. Coming back on Monday. Drew cheques for Charley, Shipping, & Hobson for [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] Home about electricity in garage, coal shed & barn. Mr Doyle insurance about ~~[illegible]~~ Sargent's loss of money and my demand to apply for [illegible] all the probation but for myself. Gave him a bad time. To see [illegible] Office about [illegible] in A's bathroom and [illegible] to [illegible] a climbing [illegible] tree. To stores - get linseed oil. Weather tale of constant air raids in London. After lunch set to work [illegible] cupboard. Went well & painted [illegible] [illegible]. Came out well. Cl. out & Dm [illegible] to P. O. [illegible] and A. [illegible] about [illegible] telling people. Talked [illegible] curtain in spare room for black out. Bed at. After dinner mended A's bed airing [illegible]. Windows & [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] on [illegible] [illegible]. Bed at midnight

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Sunday, September 1

[15th Sunday after Trinity.

Quiet night with occasional booming of distant guns and periods of silence broken by distant shell explosions. Breakfast before ten o'C. Took down curtains in spare room that I tacked up yesterday. They have been [illegible] [illegible] worked on Don on [illegible] Dr [illegible]. Neither G. nor I went to church. No air activity all day. [illegible] and [illegible]. After lunch, went up to K's [illegible] and K. [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] that she had [illegible]. Then she spent part away in [illegible] in hall. I combed and brushed Don. G. had come down from her rest and was writing letters. I took Don for a walk in [illegible] when he was [illegible]. He was in great spirits. Met A. & Nannie and 5 children who had been [illegible] a [illegible] in wild [illegible]. When I got home I washed Don's head & ears under hose pipe. After tea [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in A's room. G. reading on terrace. I [illegible] her and then [illegible] bath. Cocktails before dinner. After [illegible], cleared out

[illegible] telephoned for Don. Worked [illegible] [illegible]

Monday, September 2

PARTRIDGE SHOOTING BEGINS.

Another quiet night heard only a curious new [illegible] 12 early morning. Up at 7.30. No letter fr Hadlam who has probably had to take an engineering job. 9.10 to [illegible]. Read Desmond's proofs. 11.15 office. Gave SAT John Kennedy's [illegible] England stuff. Prejudiced but advised Coppin £50 to Cork which I did. Dictated Mrs C., Mrs D.B. Getting me [illegible]. Desmond's proof in [illegible] for [illegible] write. Thinking of going to Mexico. Lunch Anderson. Rang Addie for Paul about buying [illegible] letter. Air warning and walk down to shelter in basement. Sat in little room we have kept by [illegible] with unprotected doors and read Mrs Crosby proof. Staff went home before all clear [illegible] sounded. I stayed working upstairs till I had finished getting proofs in order. All clear just as I started for home. Brought grapes & bananas Stearns. 73 & 27 A buses. Talk Margaret abt beds down stairs. Bath [illegible] Fritz dinner. Read Desmond's proofs. Air Raid warning at 10:30. Went on with proof reading. Bed 11.15

Met Mrs James in Sussex Place

Tuesday, September 3

Slept well. Bedroom all clear, sounded about 33°C. up 7.30. Talk with Mr. [illegible] & Mr. Smith about [illegible] drink & [illegible] & about [illegible] terms, tomatoes and chicken farm and the grandfather [illegible] office 1.3.18. Call from Mr. [illegible] about his Bills but got [illegible] back [illegible] ready for press. [illegible] coming up this afternoon. Worked on Desmond proofs. Lunch [illegible] alone. Asked [illegible] as I came home. Worked on MacCarthy & on Beaumont little p. & dedication and [illegible] [illegible] sending proofs. [illegible] out. Home, arranged books in library and passage. [illegible] had arrived. Talk and then [illegible] tea. She & I had fruit dinner. She told me of [illegible] [illegible] because she [illegible] [illegible] as children [illegible] [illegible]. Read [illegible]; packed [illegible] clear in ½ hour

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Wednesday, September 4

Slept well quiet night. Air
raid warning about 9 a.m.
and all clear as I was in
bus going to office about 9.45
King St. [illegible] abnor-
mally [illegible]. W. Chapman
worked at Daughter illustrations
difficult to get them in. Air
raid warning. Hurried out [illegible]
Chapman chatted and lunch [illegible]
[illegible] asked me about [illegible]
[illegible] on the whole we
worked on Daughter and on Ben's
agreement. Home bus. Washed
and got press cuttings. Called
Chapman and consulted him about
[illegible], scalp, [illegible] piles. About
[illegible] old [illegible] but come
back in a month and he will
cut it out. Looked at [illegible]
[illegible] Carrie's ring beautiful but per-
haps [illegible]. That took [illegible]
out [illegible]. [illegible] dinner.
Worked on Daughter index. [illegible] bed
early. [illegible] to library. [illegible]

Thursday, September 5

Up early. Talk Ellis in gardens regarding trees. Office 9.50. Warm [illegible] at the night. Dictated Miss Clark. Call from Mella. Miss D. B. helping her w. list of [illegible] bills. Tel. fr. Clark offer for Kimbly. Why England sleeps. refused. Found & placed eight on [illegible] illustrations in D. [illegible] firm as Exp. Dairy. Bought 1 yd leather cloth, as silver stranded. Miss Chrystal called with Frau Statler whose her husband Joseph Statler's remarkable opinion [illegible]. Signed cheques. 5.4 to Sabbath Sept to Sutton. Read papers & Diamond proof. Met by A. & Ben Nichols on C. - depressed by letter fr. Mrs Noble that Rice has said so at the idea of coming back that she is letting her other cot- home and by an insolent summons by Frank Cooper for doing [illegible] of [illegible]. Drive Dory who had been in the brooks with the children. A. & Ben [illegible] and back after we had

[illegible]

Friday, September 6

Slept well though they said there were explosions near in the early morning. Breakfast with Ben 9.30. To an[illegible] stopping bounds of coal shed. His others [illegible] as in flying arch finished most successfully. To see [illegible] and he came to settle about basin in bath room and new drain to obviate overflow by back door, also panelling for Alfred's picture, and bath over cabinet legs, and put in door to [illegible] cellar shutter. Looked for Emo book. C. [illegible] returned from party w/ Marty last night sleeping at 31. Nannie did A B [illegible] to A. Stayed with Ben here. After tea tacked curtain in porch. Then Ben looked over fan tops and [illegible] which were in keeping. C. took photographs after tea. Ben left after tea, girls drove him to [illegible], and then to golf club [illegible]. I tacked blankets up in sitting room. Girls came back about 9.30. Read D[illegible]

[illegible] + wood + started + [illegible]

Saturday, September

Quiet night slept well. Apples in bed instead of an orange. Christine from London [illegible] with a [illegible] maid - Walked on hills etc + paid cheque. Tel. Aylsthorpe about [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] for [illegible] light. Talk C. Humphrey about [illegible] to return [illegible] garden. Talk Charley. Kept from Nannie waiting for tel. cheque. Fixed up ring on Modigliani pictures [illegible]. Disagreement w. C. over attitude of children who have returned to London just as bombing starts. I refuse to blame children. C. said again common to hear Queen's letter [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], proposals [illegible] could not disentangle before A. or Nannie. C. [illegible] herself [illegible] [illegible] before [illegible] returned to [illegible]. Bought string and fixed [illegible] of garden [illegible] w. [illegible]. Explained to Charley. Tea. V. [illegible] called about [illegible] for [illegible] [illegible] in U.S.A.

Sunday, September 8

[16th Sunday after Trinity]

Slept well but conscious of Zooming under [illegible] all night! No papers until afternoon but broadcast accounts of worst raid yet on London with much damage and many casualties. Tacked up another window. Set to church for day of prayer. Parker M.P. came later in improvised hat. Evacuated children aged "To this little defender's best hat" - a knitted stocking effect. The fact being that neither of them could wear top [illegible] Mr & Mrs Chippin called about their porch that I have put in Newford Temple's hands. Refused to buy [illegible] eight [illegible] visits it [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. After lunch. [illegible] & [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] figure is getting [illegible] Good Tel. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Slept in [illegible] [illegible] & he is coming Monday. Day up [illegible]. The Dog [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] walk on [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Bath [illegible] after dinner, [illegible] - [illegible] [illegible].

Evening of Children Died [illegible]

[illegible] London [illegible]

Colder and more clouds.
7 o'c. below [illegible]

Monday, September 9

usual night [illegible] [illegible] but
no incidents. Up by 7.30. [illegible]
to [illegible] — arrived [illegible] to [illegible]
A. B. Buckland [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
difficulty. I agreed that in case of
[illegible] death [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] to [illegible]. Two C. [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] as
the [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible]. A. [illegible]
me to station. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] after [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible], J. Matthews & I [illegible]
[illegible] Cannon at station. 3 [illegible]
[illegible] Victoria, Battersea, [illegible]
[illegible] Rd, Oval St. Time difficult
of [illegible] and [illegible] reached
Stations at 1.30. Mr D. B. had an
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in [illegible]. Mr
[illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] frightful in East End.
[illegible] [illegible] O. Gave Mr [illegible]
Desmond [illegible] & [illegible] to [illegible]
[illegible] at 5.20 Home [illegible]. [illegible]
I was talking to Margaret on [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] — [illegible] [illegible].
[illegible] no [illegible], [illegible]. Dinner
in party. Worked on [illegible] [illegible] etc.
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible] at home [illegible]

Tuesday, September 10

Bombs & guns fire all last night but I got a good deal of sleep. Margaret & Christina spent night in library lying on beds in their clothes. Asked M. to make up beds and go to bed properly. Office 10.10. Mr S. A. T. at home [illegible] tomorrow [illegible] for short holiday. Call fr. J. [illegible] about books in train. Tel. fr. R. all well at [illegible]. Worked over Autumn list [illegible]. Lunch, Cheddar Roast. No eggs — I [illegible] C ill when I asked for lunch. Dictated Mr [illegible] Byers. Signed letters etc. Another raid warning at 4 o'c. Man fr. [illegible] [illegible] precautions [illegible] All clear in 20 minutes. Closed office at 5 o'c. Bombs [illegible] but [illegible] before we reached Oxford Circus. Driver stopped at a shelter and we all got out. All clear in 20 minutes. On to [illegible] Davis St — [illegible] basin for A's bath room. Another siren

Talk home [illegible] last night 6.45

Wednesday, September 11

Heavy gun-fire all night and bombs (mostly distant). All clear 4.30. Talk Cross's in garden say East enders getting down & will be evacuated. Miles along river bombed flat for sq. windows broken at [illegible]. Bus conductor says bomb fell in road. Office 10 o'c. Mr Dennis Bryan had a quiet night with stables on fire and horses racing round the square. Siren at 12. J.B. called up at 11. All right at Amberley. Went downstairs but all clear in 15 minutes. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in windows. Worked on [illegible] breakfast [illegible] and on jacket for [illegible] [illegible] lunch jacket. Evidently a bomb near Simon Dinks. Lunch [illegible], [illegible] Basil Dean. To Mr [illegible] of Macmillans about [illegible] St Anthony in [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] about [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Worked on [illegible] in Shaftes- [illegible] letter at [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of air-raid damage. Met [illegible] who says [illegible] of [illegible] Spain [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Thursday, September 12

Our anti air craft guns in action
last night from 8 o'c till 5.30
A.M. [illegible] got down to
office 10.15. Mr [illegible] in and
all right. Dictated [illegible] C. [illegible]
D.B.S. Tel. Eric Bill & tel fr. C.
Lunch [illegible] met Quaker
members with [illegible] [illegible]
whose publishing offices had been
bombed out. Tel. [illegible] &
[illegible] Medley about B.H.
agreement. A good deal of broken
glass and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] Pills. Signed letters and
sent Bruce his agreement.
Tube to Victoria. Great crowds
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] but [illegible]
[illegible] train [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible]
at 4.45. [illegible] train which
left on schedule time at 5.4[illegible]
Supper. "All clear" [illegible] about
[illegible]. [illegible] walked [illegible]
[illegible]. Mrs [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] a [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

5th Book [illegible]
[illegible] over
11 week.

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Friday, September 13

Slept peacefully. Breakfast 10 o'C. Had rain all morning. Telephoned Burgon — Mario prisoner. Tel. Oglethorpes about summons brought by old policeman on Frank Pepper (charge for showing light). Paid bills & got cheques to Alwyn's Arundel. A. & Bikkie to Storrington Canteen. Fei all day in sitting-room. After lunch talk C. Humphrey who is making a good start with stone wall for kitchen garden. Asked Charlotte keep him supplied with stones. Spent afternoon digging plantains on lawn, sweeping & potting garden. Talk Crookshank who is painting railing round cellar stairs. Talked to him about war which he says will not settle anything. Tea. Tel Mat who says he will come to see Doris tomorrow if Hitler does not invade. Call to see Vicar about Frank Pepper summons. Giles p. Gay [illegible]. Bath Dinner. Giles back for [illegible] [illegible] take for shelters & boundary worked on [illegible]. Seems a good deal of air activity. Giles sat a day by fire and went to bed early

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Saturday, September 14

Quiet night but we heard later that British airplane was bombed in the early morning. To see C. Humphrey at work on well. Paid Charley and gave Newell 5/- wh. regret that I had to wait for his money last week. Mart came to see Don early and advised leaving cyst on his neck without treatment to take care of itself. May burst. Don troubled with fear and rage. Willy Allen at work on new [illegible]. Crowhurst finished and painted cellar stairs railing. Blake up and packed away gilt frames in studio for burning. [illegible] took down pictures in servants hall. Marlyn Puckett arrived. A. & I worked to arrange pictures in studio joined by Puckett & Marlyn. Packed away bad pictures without their frames in shed. Day planted. To Black Horse for sherry & whiskey. A. to [illegible] aft. dined. Dined Marlyn's guinea

A. came back & young people out in North Down & we heartily [illegible] Dinner Before dinner [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] dispatched walls

[illegible]

Sunday, September 15

Quiet night. Breakfast 10 o'c. Marilyn tried my [illegible] syrup and liked it. Walked down [illegible] and looked at my garden [illegible] things – all [illegible]. To church. Mr B[illegible] attacked Mrs [illegible] [illegible] away, about evacuated children to the [illegible], about details in his bill for income tax allowance. Our walk along Rackham [illegible] [illegible] Dom attacked a poor little garden cooker [illegible]. After luncheon changed clothes and gave Dom his weekly combing then spent afternoon digging up plantains. Out back to [illegible] at 4.30 in old blue sweater. Just in time to receive Mathew party. Tea has started rather creaking but got all right with [illegible] of food. 8 Mathews including Mr and Mrs Tony Bent, Tony Squire, Rupert M. and 3 soldiers! After G. and Dom walk and [illegible] I was [illegible] because G. seemed [illegible] to tell me things because she supposed I never read papers, as I never do. Marilyn's friend [illegible] had [illegible] cocktails. [illegible]. Dinner &

[17th Sunday after Trinity.

Henry A's position in N. [illegible]

Monday, September, 16

Troubled night with prospect of coming up to London with bro. Much talk of Mrs Strauss who would not leave her husband in the Titanic. Up 7.30. A. took G. on to station for 9.10 but no train. Came back. Tried to telephone to London but could not get through. Decided not to go to London and changed into country clothes. Worked in studio hanging and arranging the pictures painted by Mr Nicholson. Step ladder hammer & nails. Broke up old frames to burn for good. After lunch I went back to studio. Before lunch Mr Tr[illegible] called on us. They had a bad night when he died. All the staff out of the office. Cable fr. Toronto about Abraham's letter and another from Bullock in N.Y. After lunch tel. from Coal; about clothes [illegible] Charley [illegible] Joseph – Pulitzer & wife. A. came to studio & I showed her what I had done. After tea did some measuring for new garden walk. Charley helped also hang[illegible]. Showed him & Pris. the Queen's letter framed in moulding for [illegible]. Talked

Chiefly devoted work on Titanic. [illegible]

Tuesday, September 17

Decided last night to spend this "vacation" week with my family & G. will not come up to London [illegible]. Up before 8 o'c. Saw Charley about work and started him washing windows. Stopped Newell and Kelly from cleaning [illegible] drain and started them on [illegible] the lower court. Saw McCaspari about drain and agreed that matter of his would clean & outside drain. [illegible] [illegible] Investigated engine room — a jumble of junk. Continued putting studio in order. Cleaned out Charley's chest in shed and put it in middle room of cottage for [illegible]. Children helped me [illegible] back. After lunch Price Allen called and we settled about basin for A. in bath room, and [illegible] for [illegible] of [illegible] cupboard. Worked in studio and [illegible] many [illegible] of Seats in Cottage and puttied holes [illegible] mice in [illegible] room w. [illegible] [illegible]. Put Nickell & Kelly to work digging [illegible] and [illegible] them in [illegible] until tea time. Mr [illegible] telephoned this morning — he [illegible] last night and [illegible] in 37 Russell St. Our [illegible] 21 came [illegible] the afternoon and A. talking to Charlie and asked if [illegible] just [illegible] home and M. [illegible] [illegible] there. Took [illegible] and [illegible] Dutch [illegible] to attic. Cut sticks for A.'s [illegible] — [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] + ? Ambush [illegible]

Wednesday, September 18

Up 9.20 after quiet night.
fresh morn [illegible] wind but
probably still rough on Channel
After breakfast - out to studio
all day and swept floor.
Studio cleanly washing outside of
windows. Took pictures up to
attic and furniture to studio.
set up pole to test - levels of
new wall. G. doing her flowers.
Kept missing her but at first -
we joined and went walking.
Back with Mr. Aitken &
spoke to him of Queen's letter for
Mrs Phil Hill. Weeded lunch
radishes up to Nailhead. Need
any [illegible] weeding garden beds.
After tea [illegible] [illegible] for
[illegible] C. playing and found the
light. Laid carpet in studio and
took up an other picture frame
Saw a little grey squirrel in the
and [illegible] across studio path
V. then saw a bomb drop and
explode at another one a few
hundred yards away. People Nearly
dug up stones would like them for
wall. After tea Ovis down to
see Vicky. I mended easel and glued
back broken. G - I walk round

pond and marked trees to be cut down for view. Owls in Cratten [illegible]

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Thursday, September 19

Breakfast 9.30 To see Humphrey about lower level of wall. and Newell about apples. Then Jeanette arrived by car from Brighton having stopped at Washington to look for a cottage for her in the [illegible]. Then I started fire of [illegible] frames in studio. When I got it going Jeanette came and sat by fire. I put Clinch to work stripping dead creepers killed by digging water pipe. from [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and Hinkie helped carry [illegible] and [illegible] fire. Newell and [illegible] spent best of day [illegible] planting in garden. To [illegible] Goldsmith's and bought [illegible] cigarettes. [illegible] [illegible] by D [illegible] [illegible]. After luncheon tidied fire, dug [illegible] planting and picked up apples. Put them in [illegible]-pit and painted sign "Clear, help yourself" and put it in place of [illegible] for Amelie. Some people, a [illegible] came and took some. E. worried about [illegible] with Jeanette and I showed her the new wall. Then I picked up the rest of the apples and told Clinch that Newell was to pick up all apples every evening. [illegible]. I [illegible] came in after dinner.

Ambulance

Friday, September 20

My birthday. Woke up early & thought over & planned what to do about business. Perhaps we can continue present method policy of sticking it in the hope that [illegible] will grow less and ultimately stop. Breakfast 9.30. Tel. [illegible] about summons. Picked out nails and plastic & glass from ash. [illegible] & [illegible] castle. Talk Dorothy & C. Old girl ^ walked about place. Thought of wall when glass slips ~~[illegible]~~ flaking & cracked. Dorothy & I walked down to Caldecot cottage which she might take for her mother. After luncheon sorted ashes of glass frames and packed up ashes, plaster and charcoal in separate parcels. Together arrived after tea with stores of London [illegible] and a [illegible] dinner on 24 Hyde Park Gardens. Walk about flat and planned cut vistas. Cocktails, champagne and birthday cake and candles.

Tums + [illegible]. Into bed by [illegible]

Amberley

Saturday, September 21

Up 8.30. Horatia telephoning to Brighton. Bomb near her mother's flat, frightening but no other all right. Also tel. Mrs [illegible] an [illegible] home here. Breakfast w. young people. Found Nannie had been getting her few apples. Don has chopped many left on ground. Took Nannie away from raking leaves and picked up apples with her. Enough to fill bowl but so many people eating that soon gone. All but Horatia to Arundel. Lloyds Bank, W. [illegible] sub-manager, Mr. Carden manager. [illegible] for drugs. [illegible] corduroy trousers, Paine's tools. Home just in time for lunch. Young people [illegible] studio after lunch. [illegible] + beat apple [illegible] on bracket to break it. Took Don in woods + gave him a swing. Tried my new tools on pear tree. [illegible] Tea. [illegible] back! Home + got whisky [illegible]. Girl to [illegible] later G.o.H., luggage. Horatia telephoning

Amberley

owls hooted all night.

Sunday, September 22

Dressed for apple picking

18th Sunday after Trinity

Breakfast with [illegible] except
straggling down 9.30. Charley
said there were no apples and
no wind, but I picked up
½ basket of good apples and
pail of rotten ones. Dressed
and went to church late.
Talked to Philip about his
book, in studio until luncheon.
Rain and talked to E. abt. Lord
Down in loggia with Philip
reading his book to guests in
N. room. Weeded with new
daisy fork. Tea and talked
with Agatha esp. came as
the result over deference
for ~~the~~ argument for stalking
objects. Saw Charley about
simplifying garage doors.
Discussed [illegible] and he
suddenly burst out that I
was always grumbling at him.
Talked it out and made it
clear that I was going to have
place kept better. Norah
Malone back from [illegible]
with stories of dislocation. After dinner
G. & H. arguing. I went out - dusting for an

fire and much thunder.
Amberley

Monday, September 23

Up 7.15 Crosby. W.C. &
down [illegible] to station. Taking
apples for my dinner in London
Travelled up with John Mathews
who got out at Sutton.
Seemed warmer round about.
Spain & all others before Victoria.
To Mr Buckland's and left with
Changed K.P.P. cheque. Nat [illegible]
Bank. C.C.'s Coptic St. Mrs
Warner [illegible] [illegible]. Mr [illegible]
looked at letters etc. Washing
& went to basement. [illegible]
very [illegible] & front [illegible] back
Paid in cheque. Lunch Holborn.
Call for Beaumont and discussed
his [illegible] and [illegible]. [illegible]
[illegible] badly bombed but he
kept safe in basement.
Settled various points. SAT office
closed 4 o'C. SAT now [illegible]
to London - Brighton Bazaar
Earlier in afternoon called from
Australian [illegible] [illegible] who
wants to [illegible] - [illegible]. Fruit
& [illegible]. String Bath. [illegible]
in Pantry & [illegible]. N. Barrett

visits. [illegible] with, Bright & hot Sun.

London
Tuesday, September 24

Slept a good deal last night all clear about 5 o'c. Office 10.20 with some traffic difficulty. Bought Elastic Cox'd. Mr. Bumant called and we discussed jacket binding, end-papers. Sudden and spurt of gun-fire but went on working. Mr Cook & Mrs D.B. at work in Den mixes us so that I cannot dictate. Lunch. Garnet. Coffee Rennell. Bought Green coffee for Ambulance. Shoulder and Culpeper! Bought tacks Matt To Monroe's flat & saw Mr Clif and left note for her to meet E. for lunch. before noon on Thursday. Walk back across Park: dodging ropes round un-exploded bombs. Bath and dressed. Tacked side of black-out curtain in hall. Tried to telephone A.J. without success. Dinner fai read paper and finished my crossword. Siren at 8.15. To bed at 11 o'c.

7½ Talked in Dining

Evanston

Wednesday, September 25

20 Night

Slept fairly well but constant bombardment and anti air-craft guns. One terrible explosion ~~that~~ sounded near and sent Margaret and Christina into basement. Talk to Margaret at breakfast about the future. She can't stand this. Office 11.30 Mr Tilton, David Fairgrieve, Rhodes. Dictated Miss D.B., Miss O. Call from Mr Niko Blumenau about printing & binding his book. Telephone seems to be out of action. No news of C. Blief. lunch, Holborn. Home found C. & A. had arrived & Peter who came fr. Wellington. A. & P. returning to Amersham tonight. Back to office. Dictated letter to M. in Cardiff. Signed letters. Home 5 o'c. C. had just got up from resting. She & I to Miss Locker's in Elwood. Tried 2 places as she wished coffee ice cream soda but had closed at 5.30. Saw demolished houses

Thursday, September 26

All clear 5.30. C. got through the night very well and we all slept most of the time including Margaret. Talk Margaret about coming to Amherst and other plans for herself and Christina. To see Smith about possible shelter in basement. Office after 11. Talk SAT. Dictated Miss C. & Miss D. 'B' Mr Clifford glooming in a peculiar way. They say that Burlington E-[illegible] has been bombed. To Garrick for lunch. Stopped at antique shops in Maiden St and found 2 bowls for C.'s table. Lunch sat with Noble & Walter. Talk over Smith about Herbert Wolfe's books & pension for his daughter and widow. [illegible] Gabriel Wells and 3 others on. Geoffrey Whitworth, Alec Rea and Oliver at table by window. Talked to them and Oliver said he was afraid that he had lost all his furniture stored at Maples. To Blackwood but he was out. Office signed letters. Met C. Victoria. A. & Anne out [illegible]. Hamlet and Bertie at home.

14 hours in cellar [illegible]

C.'s [illegible]

Bath [illegible]

Amberley

Friday, September 27

Good night. Breakfast 10 o'c. To see C. Stone putting gutter on wall. Apples thoroughly picked up every morning. [illegible] has taken out & bagged [illegible] [illegible] talk Mr Stock about coal supply. Newell working and spending afternoons among wood. Finished w. Studio windows and decided to screw it down & put back broken frame. Blind society van called and bought brushes and baskets. C. Scott in good temper working well to programme. Tom wanted to go riding with A + Pinkie or walk w. Anne. Prohibited former and successfully discouraged latter. A. + P. spent morning at 3 wrangler canter. All upset at D. Scarr withdrawal. After lunch H. & I picked up [illegible] apples & I weeded plantains. After tea saw Price Allen and bought his stores. Set children to

wedding is fixed, Margaret [illegible]

[illegible]

Amberley

Saturday, September 28

Ann left soon after breakfast to rejoin Mrs Spencer's Free for Carlton. I paid Charley and C. Humphrey and talked to latter about his work and the steps up to garden. Fitted broken pane back in studio window. Children taking apples and carrots to Church for Harvest festival. To ch. and lunch A & Bramley but couldn't find an apple big and red like those the children had. C. & I. Down to P.O. to post her long letter to her mother and to get her money for clothes. Beautiful autumn day. After lunch, A & I to Arundel got things at Christie's & Paine's and biscuits at Sparks for C's birthday. Blown as we got to Arundel and all clear as we left. Got a few cut flowers at the great house by the Cathedral with [illegible] Harvey went about the garden with the woman who runs the house and [illegible]. [illegible] and puttied studio windows. After tea tied up dahlias w. C. & cut dead garden wood. To see Ebert about [illegible]. C. & I walk Ruckler Rd. Saw W. Riff about alone [illegible]

with us. Bath. dinner. and gossiped and

Amberley

Sunday, September 29

[QUARTER DAY.
[FIRE INSURANCE DUE.

[19th Sunday after Trinity.

Harvest Festival but I did not go to church. Dressed in jersey + leather coat [illegible] weather that I stayed in studio. Picked up windfalls, put away [illegible] [illegible] reproductions. Found Joan in bed with Nanny looking after her. Fixed black out cloth in W.C. under stairs + to see Price Allen and looked at pile of stone in grave-yard that he told me about. Dressed for luncheon. After luncheon changed again to leather. Mended board that I failed to mend last night. Completed Dom in our [illegible] cottage with Stratton setting in sun. Dug up plantains. Tea. C. + I walk along river bridge + decided to empty house and store our things partly in garage and partly there. Dug a few more plantains till it became too dark to see. Bath + dressed. Children to [illegible] on bicycles for lack of petrol. After dinner C + H. [illegible]

[illegible] discussed Margaret going to [illegible]

out to go is blacked out.
complete. M. [illegible] girls coming home at 10

Monday, September 30

Up 7 o'c. W. letter to Oglethorpe
dealt- claim credit for ones staying
in England. Re [illegible] to Pepper.
Black out summons to be heard
in Arundel 10.30 today. Walked to
station. Train very slow. Slept a bit
Read Observer. Got [illegible] V. [illegible]
when I arrived at 12.30 and start
in Gt. Russell St. They saw inside of
Y.M.C.A. gutted through walls standing.
D. called Mr D. B. of Univ C. whose had
land mine 150 yards away from his
house. Sent wires to America. Sandwiches
and dinner at office. Air raid siren
then no one paid any attention. Talk
S. A. T. He has gone back to Park
[illegible] and he has no shelter. Says
he does not feel nervous. Talk
Carton [illegible]. Says his works
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] by Blackfriars [illegible]
Stanley appealed. Home packed [illegible]
Saw Christina. Siren as I started for
Victoria. 5.45 Arundel. Slept. Read paper.
Train an hour late. Met by C.
+ Dora + walked home together. Black
out case went well + we [illegible] paid
[illegible] my personal thanks to Evelyn who
[illegible] on the bench. Dinner [illegible]

After dinner C. + I [illegible]

O + Nancy [illegible] at apartment

[illegible]

Tuesday, October 1

[illegible]

up 7 & got hot water myself. I had
[illegible] bed. Christine not [illegible]
either way. Long breakfast [illegible]. A. [illegible]
tel. by Mrs L. 7.45 to bicycle to
[illegible] Cottage and tell [illegible]
go to school because [illegible] opening
9.10 tel. all clear & A went. I
[illegible] back to bed. Took her meal
very cheerfully. Mrs S.
made me some sandwiches.
walked to station 9.4. Got season
ticket. Read letter fr. S. Raymond
& New Statesman on train. Lon. Bge.
1.12. Dictated Mrs C. &
Miss D. B. Talk Frederick on
leave from his A.F.S. Has
been through terrible time.
Mrs Scarlatt [illegible] [illegible] &
½ bottle [illegible] for luncheon.
Worked on [illegible] for
[illegible] in shelter during alert
warning. Worked on Eric Gill
page for Bk. of Remt. David
[illegible] came to meet his father
& introduced him to Frederick.
[illegible] changed shoes. Saw Margaret
Corder's friend A's [illegible] [illegible] & [illegible]
light-sett[illegible] for [illegible] B.C.

[illegible]

Wednesday, October 2

Up 7.0'c. walked to station 9.10 with Robert Matthews, [illegible] and his mother talking all the time till people got in at Sutton and I got a brief nap. Arrived 12.0'c Dictated M.S.S. Drew up Don ads for Sunday Times. To see Deacon & Allen about moving furniture. Bomb Albion Gate and most of our front windows broken. arranged for Margaret to come down to Amberley and ate my lunch with bottle of Bass in hall took down [illegible] for lavatory and got [illegible] Cecil Beaton's photograph. Back to office. Saw [illegible] Lafayette about Burke's picture. Macbeth called and arranged for Robert Nijinsky [illegible] draft for Beaumont [illegible]. Took 3 A.T. Got black-out paint [illegible] Paris and out to Victoria Met Margaret and to Amberley by 5.40 held up 35 minutes [illegible]. Arrived 7.30 Met by Taylor. Cecily's mother on train. Mark & Gerald at Crabtree. Got back after [illegible]

[illegible] Nannie's [illegible] better after [illegible] mirror in Opera room,

Thursday, October 3

Woke at 6 o'c and decided
to take 8.34 train. Ate apples
and got up 6.45. Rainy day so
wore my wet weather kit which
I left at station. Slept well in
train that was nearly empty.
Got to office 10.45. Air raid sirens
and guns firing and zooming bombers
most of day. Collected Diamond
Dream letters and drew up contract
and sent them to Chiswick Press.
Telephoned for tobacconist to Mr.
Smith, giving Mr Smith there, will
board up windows. Tel Cherry has at
house – all right. Tel. Carter of
Rickards about moving furniture.
Got stout at Public House and
had sandwich lunch in office.
Gun fire so loud went down to
shelter. Came up when [illegible]
tonight – proof of Doc race, for S. Times
and to [illegible] for Cultural relations
w. 4.55 R to get drugs for V. her big
book. Heard gun fire and zooming as
I walked back. Took cover in
vault by London University. Talk
SAT. [illegible] to Victoria. Raid still
on. 6.4 train [illegible] to Thames
Bridges. Slept in train and then
read paper. To Sunbury 7 o'c.
Put on rain kit. Got a Mack [illegible]
starting for castle. Bath etc. Nice

Amberley

Friday, October 4

Quiet night but heard bombs and casualties in the district. Breakfast 9.30 Girls to Storrington Canteen. Showed Mark stone wall etc made by Humphrey. C. and I got out old furniture for Mattheis [illegible] Sat. and then there seemed no way of getting it to Bury so in the afternoon when I was soaked with rain I wiped it with Dan. towel and put it back in the [illegible] Talk Charley about work and storing [illegible] furniture. Very difficult. After [illegible] had talk with Newland Tomkins about [illegible] and Casper's matters. Spent afternoon and after tea mixing black distemper and painting windows in [illegible] and North room. Bombs in vicinity. Heard later that Vicar of Steepham killed. Wild depredation [illegible]. Girls [illegible] canteen [illegible] self clean

Curtains bound, in Captain's effects [illegible] Books [illegible]
1.0.0
1 pr [illegible]
0.13.6

Saturday, October 5

Stayed up reading [illegible] proof and the young people talking till 1.30 a.m. I slept this morning till 9.30 but young people got up early and Pinkie went home for Sunday. Mark & A. went for walk. I paid Cluny & Humphrey. Studied barns & sheds for space to store our London furniture. Ma [illegible] a two blue stools and a table for Martha's jumble sale. Saw Price Hill about framing pictures and asked him to break up and remove cement platform in engine house and pump implement. Don stayed about house & would not go about w. C or me because of noise of planes and guns. After lunch Mark and A. went to help at jumble sale and on to [illegible] of Arundel. I took [illegible] outfit [illegible] over, cleaned garage & talked to Cluny about finding places for London furniture [illegible] D. [illegible] + ?

Sunday, October 6

SUMMER TIME ENDS
Set Clocks Back.

20th Sunday after Trinity

Wild mild & ~~summeraehat~~ rough all night. Tiffanies ~~arriving~~ I got up and shut window. Breakfast 9.30 and went out immediately after ~~and~~ picked up apples — a great many had fallen because of wind. Talked Mr Sharp down to see Joe also Mrs Mulligan & Mrs Fibbens & Mrs Sharp. John has a time bomb near her house which is a school. All cheerful and absolutely unshaken. Started to rearrange shed to make room for timber fr. barn which is must be cleared for London furniture. Dressed for lunch & then went back into working clothes & combed Don in studio. Then moved timber & bulky material fr. barn until late [illegible]. Built fire in back rooms. Bath dressed and sat by fire 7.15 Rain heard as M. & Al. went to another; Nannie dominated dinner

M. + Al. [illegible] 9.20

Bomb
of [illegible]

Monday, October 7

Up 7 o'c. Saw Charley & C. [illegible]
about clearing shed. Just as we
were starting for station for A. &
Mack - my bags in hands, John
Mathias called up. Bomb on
his [illegible]. Church & hospital & [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] & [illegible] to [illegible]
Picked up old fireman who works at
Tattenham Cr. Rd. Corner House at station
& drove to Berry Manor where we got
John & Mrs Wilson [illegible]. Caught train
at [illegible] leaving John to get a
later train for Sutton. Left M. & A.
Victoria. Office 12.20. To Tom's
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Tel. Scot
Embassy about lunch tomorrow.
Talk S.A. and opened many letters
Dictated Miss C. Cummins did
any drawings for lunch. Started
letter to Mason Sanders about
placing our books in U.S.A. Call
fr. Brown out. Read 1st proof
and roughed out [illegible] body design
for jacket. Air raid gun fire. Met
A & Pinkie Victoria and to Station
by S.A. Got car and motored
to Ambulance slightly losing way
Home 7 o'c. C. told us of letters
fr. [illegible], bomb near [illegible] at Marlow
to Coy. Annex - Switzerland [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] 9.2 [illegible]

Corrected [illegible] after G's reading of proof

Tuesday, October 8

up 7 o'c. got spoon to scrape apples because of sore gums. [illegible] closely measured floor space in barn – after breakfast til 8 station. Supposed to be train at 9.35. Out to all men at work. ~~[illegible]~~ piling up wood outside, and Humphreys cleaning out stable. To station, asked G to be very English at Soviet Embassy and ... [illegible] a scene before Nannie and gave her a look of pained. Very difficult. Waited at station and finally got train at 10.15. Coach from [illegible] hospital to Streatham – then tram to 3 Bridges and another to Victoria where we arrived at 1.00. Left Nannie with luggage in empty [illegible] and took Taxi to [illegible] Street – saw bomb damage at Selfridges [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Maisky, Mme [illegible], Rothensteins, Pratt, Brogan and Embassy staff. I did not talk politics but G elicited that scarlet fever great obstacle to [illegible] in Russia. Pratt took us home & I left G with Nannie to pack. To office & did a little [illegible] and met G & Nannie at Victoria at 5.4 home arrived in air raid with [illegible] bomb

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]-8.0.

Wednesday, October 9

Slept well waking at 6 with mind obsessed with high pitched chatter [illegible]. Finally settled in shape like coffee [illegible] with conical top. Apples at 7. Breakfast 8.15. At dictation after [illegible]. Cold Chair [illegible] potatoes & [illegible] Room. Goodbye C. Walk station in rough wind and spots of rain. Train [illegible] 9.10 Coach fr. K's Hospital to Horsham. Lunch [illegible]. Train to 3 Bridges. Then [illegible] [illegible]. Talk to D. Herald man [illegible] who [illegible] say he [illegible] [illegible] also Pat [illegible] D. Mail. Slept on way. [illegible] office 1.30. Mr. S.T. [illegible] to look [illegible] of D. [illegible] Staff. Dictated. Mr. [illegible] Mr. C. Call fr. [illegible] Call fr. F. Telephone, Call fr. Mr. [illegible] daughter. Warning [illegible] [illegible] chatter with Mr. [illegible]. All clear. Met Cyril Davis in Coptic St. Tried to [illegible] [illegible] Stations no luck. 5.4. [illegible] straight through. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible]. Bath & dinner. Girl came back [illegible] [illegible]. Churchill [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

Thursday, October 10

Woke 6 o'c and decided to take 5.34 train to London Bridge. Out [illegible] stables nearly clear. Rain steadily; so [illegible] has [illegible] weather suffered. Rested but [illegible] slept to [illegible]. Conductor [illegible] to [illegible] + by rail so after [illegible] for 17 bus, [illegible] [illegible] way to office by [illegible] [illegible] bus changing to another that took me [illegible] St. Dictated to Mr C. & Mr D.R. Then out to Stationers and telephoned to Christie at 31 [illegible] & [illegible] – Asked about moving furniture to [illegible]. Lunch at [illegible] and about and talked to Mr S.H.T. who is going to Dunstable but keeping his house to return to [illegible] [illegible] or [illegible]. He is [illegible] defeatist about war and hopes that [illegible] will use their [illegible] to [illegible] the war. Crazy. Worked at book [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] that Mr Sidley has got hold of. [illegible] under [illegible] his [illegible] [illegible]: [illegible] fine. Bus to Victoria. [illegible] [illegible] but 5.14 [illegible] [illegible] after. Got to station for Christie as I got home. Dinner; Finished letter [illegible]

Amberley

Friday, October 11

Don lazy asleep; [illegible]

I slept well and woke somewhat rested. To see Priestley and get silk pictures reframed in Hogarth's fuller frames. To see [illegible] at work clearing stable. Stephen digging out stones. Took him off letters and put him back on the wall. G and Don walk up to farm house on downs and back by field. Girls at Stanley Coulter. After lunch dug plantains in yard and on lawn beyond cottage garden. Plantains at last getting under control. Weeded again after tea. Our aeroplanes flying low. Bolt ex. and dead clean. After dinner telephone to Monkey in at Billingshurst and he arrived soon after. Built fire for young people in North room. Vanessa [illegible] had made pink & green silk shades for two of the lamps so no light showed from outside. Girls came back from Coulter and Margaret had dinner with them. Rude good account of G. being out late at Arundel [illegible] Court and [illegible] accept [illegible] Dorothy Thurlow [illegible] England

[illegible]

Saturday, October 12

Quiet night slept well. Breakfast 9.30. Paid cheques to Humphrey & Scott. Loaded cider bottles on car and A. & I left them at Bay Manor with Cicely helping to unload & bandaging my thumb cut on a nail. Took the bike up to Boswell & left it to be oiled and lights fixed. A & I walked back via ferry. G. & I to P.O. for G. to cash Chalkers's [illegible] money. Then walked up hill to down & back. Wore my new corduroy trousers made in [illegible], G's birthday present. After lunch worked all afternoon making supports for books under long table in N. room so that it could be sat on without tipping over. Young people sat reading and sleeping by fire in N. room. Then after tea Netty walked to Bay and got car. Lights had been mended, worse as [illegible] only one would light at a time. Nurse fixed and got out wire. John Wyndham arrived and goes to [illegible]

Talked politics to boys before going [illegible].

They are down [illegible] [illegible] in sitting room.

Sunday, October 13

[21st Sunday after Trinity]

Dressed for church, Tel. [illegible] Refused at [illegible] and [illegible] about [illegible] from [illegible]. C. & I to church. Evelyn asked us to come to tea ~~to meet~~ [illegible]. [illegible] Cicily came for pencil and I gave her packet of [illegible] to put over chest for [illegible]. C. & I walk talking [illegible] with Dom. After tea [illegible] combed Dom [illegible] cottage. [illegible] from London asked to take [illegible] pick up some apples to take back to London for apple [illegible] packed apples in shelter. There were some in barrel as I did not pick them up this morning. I said you had [illegible] she took away a big bag full. Then Dom [illegible] and sent him [illegible] after a stick. Major Capel here for [illegible] and I took him walk [illegible] which I washed Dom's feet – muddy from [illegible] and dried him [illegible] his bath towel. Then Major Capel helped A. with [illegible] lamp that [illegible] had got [illegible] which G. & C. had left it. Tea with Major Capel.

Monday, October 14

G. & Nannie off to London by 9.10. Reached office before 12. Declined cabled offer from Dutton through Marion Saunders for Sweden without illus. 3½ cents royalty. Dictated Miss C. & Miss D. B. S.A.T. says 6 bombs round his house last night. Told him he must go to Dorking lodging that he found last week. Reflection of Saunders & Brown at office. To 31 where Nannie & others were packing. Went over house with Booth of Pickfords who will estimate for moving to Amberley. Took Olly Q., who had been figuring bills, with. An omelette at Claridge's. Saw David Magee on the street. Gay and looking bad after illness. Got shaving soap at Mayfair and back to office. I gave Capt. C.'s autograph picture to be [illegible] at Camden Corner. Bus to Victoria. Another building down in [illegible] as far as 5. Last night raid very bad. Tel. A. for Amberley station and she came for us before going to canteen as. Olive.

After dinner fixed bills & read papers, Pinkie, [illegible] 12.31 [illegible]

Tuesday, October 15

Quiet night at Amberley. A. + Nannie + I walked to station to go London by 9.42. D. Mason [illegible] commenced in their day [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] last night on [illegible] [illegible] 11.30. after 11.30. Mr Miller called up re the [illegible] news. A. to Kay [illegible] [illegible] and go on to Wellington [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. S[illegible] o Mark and to explore [illegible] of work. I [illegible] [illegible] program of work at Amberley for [illegible] purpose. D. stated: [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] Fall of the Ottawa [illegible] in [illegible] [illegible] + [illegible]. Drew up copy for Spectator [illegible] a/c. Read Knott book on Anatomy of British Sea Power. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and Rossiter important. Mr D.A. [illegible] Daily Mirror — last night [illegible] [illegible]. Continued warm, 80° all today S.A.I. [illegible] closing at 8.30 P.M. [illegible] [illegible] always [illegible] altogether + [illegible] on Saturday + Sunday. Met Nannie Victoria and [illegible] 5.4. Nannie saw A. off Paddington all right. Slept + [illegible] Diamond [illegible] in [illegible]. Nannie + I walked home. [illegible]

[illegible]

Wednesday, October 16

Up. 7 o'c. apples [illegible] a hot [illegible]. Nannie started first for station walking I followed and C came last on bicycle. Mr Mathers at station. We all had to change at Dorking and took another train to Streatham where we got a bus to Piccadilly Circus. C. went to have her hair permanently waved. We saw a lot of almost continuous destruction from Streatham to London. It looks as if London would have to be rebuilt [illegible] 50 to 100 [illegible]. Miss Mead not in but telephoned that she was packing up the things owing to bombing and moving to Barnet. Miss D.I.B. not in and no [illegible]. Dictating Robin Davis & others. Lunch. [illegible] & [illegible] Mr S.A.T. showed [illegible] [illegible] when I was [illegible] the destruction of London in [illegible] Rosary time. Dictated letter to Dunmore at Dorking. Told Frederick about Dawson. Tel. Walter about [illegible] [illegible] Partridge for Mr [illegible] [illegible] in Kodak. Then walk back [illegible] [illegible]. C. & Nannie & I to [illegible]

24th wedding anniversary

Thursday, October 17

C of Hannie to London by 7.10. Arrived Victoria 11.40 Bexley design for Lambeth calls for Haddfields and I gave him Bexley design, Beamt and paper at once after Banquet. Saw the Nafty lunch Nicholas Hzener. Got B's St. J. for Muckland. Got labels for furniture. Signed letters. Home Margaret had come up from Horatio's at Crawley and was helping Christine. I went out to Maitlands and bought Baltic cabinet. No meta tablets to be got. Pinkie and A. arrived from Wetherby both with present dreams, which they do not like themselves, but which please the older generation. To Victoria. Girls talked and I left to try to get sleep but people talking in open coach and I cannot sleep there. All light out - 15 miles an hour because of raid. Walked from station. Warden outside station said raiders making for London. Pecks. Meeba for dinner to celebrate

Robert Yates

Posted Mrs Champneys

Friday, October 18

Nasty morning turning to light rain. Changed brackets for curtain in [illegible] cupboard and got more rugs from [illegible]. Helped Charley to move wood stoves from stable for C. Humphrey. Walked about place & found plantains getting [illegible] but apples not being picked up and barrel empty except [illegible] going in setting wood and [illegible]. Girls to Stowmarket Canteen. When they came back they found a young Welsh Fusilier [illegible] who was coming to [illegible] with his platoon of 40 and [illegible] small tank for which he wanted a barn. Had no one for him. We explored our [illegible] places and decided not. He will probably use a barn. Girls think they will give up our [illegible] plan for present and [illegible] this [illegible]. After lunch picked up apples. [illegible] [illegible] about evening. Talk [illegible] about what would be [illegible].

[illegible]

Misty morning clearing to sunshine! Breakfast 9.30 Pinkie & Angela to Brighton to see [illegible]. Paid Charley & [illegible]. To see Price Allen about heating ups cement in engine room and pump house [illegible]. Nesbitt [illegible] leaves in orchard. Apples too wet to pick but will be [illegible] of drop this afternoon. [illegible] bombs were [illegible] last night dropped near Frank Pepper's. Did planting along street. Daken [illegible] me. [illegible] where [illegible] wants to plant shrubs rhododendrons and other shrubs. Talk Charley about [illegible] dead macrocarpa hedge by vicarage. Says he can pull that up with jack he can borrow from Cathy. G. H. & Nannie luncheon. Charley picked apples all afternoon. I sawed and cleared away dead tree brought down by vibration of bombs a crash, [illegible] below Sunningdale-South. Down to orchard to see Charley picking apples. Did planting in front of Hall & the Cottage. Tea with G. Girls back from

Sunday, October 20

22nd Sunday after Trinity

Kept out doors to pick up
apples and not go to
Church. Raked leaves and
nasturtiums from beds and
found good things - but 2 apples.
G. had gone for walk and
came in just in time for lunch
as I did. After lunch I saw
Mr Mulligan down from garden
and told him to take plenty of
apples - but not all - to bake
and eat in his shelter and give
away. Finished raking and
brought in more apples. Cut up
pears that starting for eating
and gave good places to chickens.
N[illegible] had taken D[illegible] for
walk so could not collect him.
G. planned to bicycle to Viola's.
I settled down to weeding plantain.
After an hour or two, I heard A.
shouting and visualised an accident
to G. & A. found me and said G had
fallen from her bicycle and was
lying in the road. I found her in front
of the [illegible] [illegible] old [illegible] village
[illegible] got a stretcher and [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

Monday, October 21

Did not go to London. Up late. Tel. 3. Art at his house. Started birthday letter to M-in-law and telling her about accident. Q. lying in bed added in pencil to letter she w. before it happened. Dr Venables and Dr Wellington arrived and took X ray pictures. Q's hip not bruised or distorted. Looks bad to me, but Dr V. still say may not be broken. Humphrey working in stable getting out stones. Too rainy for wall and he caught cold in side from working in rain. Sent him to do Charley's setting corn before his rest. After lunch sat by telephone finishing letter to M-in-law. Waiting for report fr. Venables. Finally it came — Hip broken. Q. in despair. She had slept and thought she was much better. Sat holding her hand. Tea on tray 5 [illegible]. Down to [illegible] w. Charley. Thinks we have packed all his apples worth packing! After dinner sat w. Q. Read Mrs Charling

Winnie came to tea. [illegible] on Wednesday.

Tuesday, October 22

Up 7 o'c to get ready for [illegible]. Started Mrs Stark [illegible] fairly fair in North Room and getting there and moving furniture. [illegible] Comfortable after good night but apprehensive of operation. [illegible] a nightie [illegible] telephone fr. Mr T[illegible]. His house was bombed last night at 5.30. Roof and front [illegible] wrecked, but he, his wife and mother in law in dining room at back quite unhurt! Got [illegible] from [illegible] [illegible] in [illegible] and [illegible] window of N. room [illegible] with blanket and [illegible] chiefly [illegible] on and [illegible] of N. room. At 10 o'c Dr V[illegible] arrived followed by Mr T[illegible] surgeon, Dr M[illegible] radiologist, Mr [illegible] radiographer and two nurses. Brought E down stairs on stretcher. Then [illegible] on table in hall. Then [illegible] into North Room converted into operating theatre. Mrs Stark N[illegible] [illegible] brought down [illegible]. [illegible] into [illegible] for E. [illegible] out with girls in [illegible]

Wednesday, October 23

Wake 6 o'c. Hate idea of
leaving O. & going to [illegible] but
decided I must. Up [illegible] o'c.
Talk O. about getting vegetable
to arrange [illegible] [illegible]
high [illegible] and told me to
day nurse. Night nurse appears
to be a nice girl. O. had good
night and [illegible] as [illegible]. Walk
to station. Apologized to Mother
as I did not expect to take
S.N.T. told me of their [illegible]
to [illegible] & [illegible] we chatted by
[illegible] and [illegible]. Passed [illegible]
and T.F.? adv. proof. Arrived
[illegible] [illegible] Cabin Dunn.
[illegible] [illegible]. Took house
to [illegible] Smith, dress later/
all alone [illegible]. Got [illegible]
[illegible] & talked to girls who
[illegible] about [illegible] again.
Call for Will & [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] for Mary Sharon [illegible].
To home stopping at [illegible] & [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]. Saw [illegible] and
collected a few things. Tea at Victoria.
5.4 to [illegible]. Mr. Mather and
[illegible] at [illegible]. Saw [illegible] Dinner
getting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] S.A.
C. [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible]

Thursday, October 24

Up 7 o'c. A. feeling better.
A. [illegible] to its father [illegible]. Luggage
for packing — Nannie and I. W.
[illegible] letter to M— [illegible]
[illegible] all the way. Call for Bertie
Hancock. Dictated. [illegible] A. Call
[illegible] Mr T[illegible]. Sketched lettering for
Beaumont's Ballet & a [illegible] [illegible]
sandwiches. [illegible] [illegible] telephoned
asking me to lunch. Ch. Carrick &
[illegible] [illegible] — Carrick had
taken [illegible] [illegible]. After lunch dictated
letter to Mrs Champney. Signed
innumerable bills. So late took
taxi to T. Bell — Croydon & bought
air cushion for A. [illegible] [illegible]
Nannie & ~~together~~ Victoria. Slept
to Sutton. Read paper & W. diary.
Tel. to A. for station & then Pinkie
came in [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] luggage.
Talk further [illegible] about Tommy's
setting [illegible] another broken hip.
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] method
Friend A. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
Nannie's [illegible] & [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]. A. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Friday, October 25

C. seems more comfortable, but
[illegible] [illegible] morning. Harrison's [illegible]
station. 9.10 to Victoria & Read
Tribune - Churchill Tory Premier.
Bad prospect - and Willkie gaining
in U.S.A. Office 11.30. Dictating
to C. Mrs D. [illegible] [illegible] to Min. [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] O [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]. Sent Desmond's [illegible] to [illegible]
Bombs apparently near. Down stairs
to shelter for a bit. Then home by
bus and [illegible] [illegible] & [illegible] in
[illegible] hall. Nannie & Clara [illegible]
busy packing. I emptied my drawers
of [illegible], and tea-bag in [illegible].
Packed suitcase and box. Out
for a taxi. Crowded Friday evening
[illegible]. Started late. John
Mathews got in at Sutton.
Very enlightened politically. Met
Mrs Darcy Biddell at station
spending week end Bury Manor.
Walked home. C. perhaps a little
less depressed. Officers Barbour
and Robert to dinner. Sat
up. C. and read papers in
hall. Crash of bombs seems
terrific and windows rattling

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Saturday, October 26

Up late. Misty morning turning very fine. Paid Chubb & Humphrey who is ½ through work. Picked a few apples on east of the [illegible]. To see G. from time to time. Unpacked my suit case & displaced clothes in chest of drawers in G's room. Call fr. Mrs Luckman & refused to let her see G. Call fr. Dr Venables who is pleased w. G. Night nurse Couchman left after tea. Arranged [illegible] in front of G's door G's stuff. Telephone [illegible] [illegible] fr. M-[illegible]-[illegible]. Dug [illegible] [illegible] there on this cottage [illegible] room. Brought down bed fr. cottage & put it in [illegible] for Nannie to sleep on. Gail [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Punch to G. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] dinner G. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] times. To bed

Sunday, October 27

[23rd Sunday after Trinity.

Very cold night and got up to put my dressing gown on, bad [illegible] in my sleep of bombs and danger overhead. Slept late. Breakfast 10 o'c. Built up fire in cottage. Audrey depressed because of gun fire overhead. Addressed for O., mended photographs, letters etc. Walk Charley + Kitty about and [illegible] being in any more dead and rotten rabbits as it smells. Got [illegible] over 2 bundles same. Talked of moving [illegible] [illegible]. After tea all family in O's room and she had her old [illegible] keeping everyone laughing. Others [illegible] to O. Mr Sheridan + Mr Phillips to thank Owen for kindness at time of accident. Combed Dan in. Katie Mulligan left alone knitting [illegible] came to give her company. Took Fan + Dan for walk + met A. + P. in village street. Came in evening and cooking [illegible] 5 and [illegible] [illegible]. Met Katie as [illegible] left. [illegible] with them. Left in [illegible] +

Monday, October 28

Woke just right at 7 a.m. Suggested to C. that [illegible] stock [illegible] breakfasts when Mr S[illegible] on holiday & Clara N. again. Then perhaps Christina would come & do that. Walk to station. Talk [illegible] Waithman [illegible] Wellborough. Changed to fast train. N. [illegible] letter to Paul. My fast train was 45 minutes late & got in after the show on. Bus to Oxford circus and hair cut. Office about 12. Dictated to Miss C. Cable to [illegible] To [illegible] and found [illegible] pretty well apparently and again. [illegible] [illegible] some things can ever be avoided [illegible] lot of [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] apparently [illegible] by air alone, [illegible] Chocolate to come to tonight. N did not get up for breakfast. Packed her [illegible] with [illegible] etc and came to Victoria. 8.4 train [illegible] because of air-raids. Walked fr. station getting home 7.40. C. arriving N [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in [illegible] perfect [illegible] to [illegible] after dinner. Mary telephoned [illegible] London to [illegible] & Viola telephoned after dinner

Tuesday, October 29

Cold & fine. Arranged C. to take
him Hawk either off this week
while Mrs Scarlett away. Dan helped
[illegible] as I left for station
[illegible] to Charge about my double
two. Read letter fr. M.M. [illegible]
train. All change at Dorking and
put into train for Waterloo. Taxi
to Nat. City Bank and cashed $1000
to M.M.'s [illegible] for Arundel account.
Taxi to office because of empty
suit-case that I had brought up.
Quite useless as it turned out.
Finished copy for Beaumont pamphlet
that I had thrashed out in train.
[illegible] M.M. came ack. changes, [illegible]
[illegible] air-raid shelter with [illegible]
bombs and gun fire. Heard later
[illegible] at London Bridge and one
in Crown. Terrace [illegible]
though it on our house - so loud
and near. Sandwiches & Guinness
in office. Home in taxi, stopping at
[illegible]-Croydon to change rubber seat
for bed-room chair. To Dawson to
help to leave [illegible]. Saw Eric Ward
to say sorry about taking [illegible]
[illegible] - [illegible]. To C's bank
to deposit his cheque. Went over house
w. packers. [illegible] w. Christina
to [illegible] as [illegible] to [illegible]

Wednesday, October 30

up 7 o'C. Planning to go down
by early train if possible to be
there upon vessel arriving. C [illegible]
by 9. dismissed incompetent nurse.
Cab 9 get moving. Mr Mathias
Bea & Mrs Hughes at station but
I got into different carriage.
Just settling Roberts & Aunt Ruth
when E. Mathias came in to talk about
getting [illegible] to America stage till
[illegible] hospital. Then w. Aunt
Ruth. Straight to house fr. station
Mr packing & coming to Amherst to-
morrow. Gave Christina a cheque
and explained about to me. Taxi
to office taking out case of clothes
to Thomas in Camden, & dept. Stop
paid in salary cheques, drew
out for C's. lunch after
sandwiches and start. Call from
Edmunds of Camden ringing. [illegible]
To Victoria & 3.38 to Hartley
changing at 3 Bridges, but it didn't
stop at Bridge & I was carried on to
Brighton. Tel'd C. then to back [illegible]
and home 9.15. Sat in hall after
dinner smoking & talking w C.

Thursday, October 31

Misty warm morning turning to
cold began writing notes & team.
s. Venables about nurse whom
he was inclined to defend. Breakfast
.30. To see Charley about empty
xes. At 10.30 movers van
arrived and we unpacked all day
again taking last things to
studio. Gave men lunch in
servants hall and took them over
it. They finished unloading about
3.30, + A + I worked till 4.45
taking framed pictures up to attic.
Vandeber called at 12. did gi
drawing and promised good pictures
on Saturday. Found my pictures
of game cock and hung it in a tiny
room in cottage where we having
hang to put piano. Tea with A.
+ Pinker in N. Room. Tried to get
room into order upset by my
grand piano. Rather cold but
warm bath and exercise. Girls to
bed early after dinner. Talk of
Bennett Kennedy's [illegible]. Not
that of a nice man or a gentleman.
Read Ms. by Maude Royden on Women
Contemplative in New World. Common place

[illegible] [illegible] took [illegible] Some time [illegible] sent Road [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] on [illegible]

Friday, November 1

FOX HUNTING BEGINS.

Throat grew more sore during night. Took antiphlo Cant possibly let up. Dreamt of bomb at 5 o'c. Don't know if there were any. Clear day with aeroplanes weaving patterns up in the stratosphere. Worked all morning w. Charley & Nurse moving furniture to study where we are going to keep our best things, and unpacking Richards cases into boxes of our own. After luncheon Mrs Skeeland came over and helped, selecting kitchen things that she wanted to keep. My sore throat grew worse but somehow did not interfere. Alfred put away wine and helped about books. Mr Barker came for luncheon. I stopped work for tea and just then the sirens sounded and I steeled myself to get more tea and then somewhere to sleep. Charley could get no beds in village so fixed them up with mattresses & rugs on floor. After dinner gate to [illegible] in

11.30 She was down with [illegible]

Saturday, November 2

[illegible] was in [illegible] down with [illegible]

Took auto-flue during night & drank water. Cold seemed still under control. Worked all morning with movers. They said they were comfortable last night. Pinkie and Mat Seeland left by 9.10. Directed men where to put the good piece and chests of drawers to studio. Plenty of room in barn and things need not have been piled on top of each other. Saw that men had luncheon and Nina gave foreman 5/- and others 2/6. They were all very obliging as I said on my signed acknowledgment to Pickfords. After luncheon tried to sort books while N. room is screened today but it made my sore throat worse. Sat by fire and rested but couldn't sleep. New Nurse arrived [illegible] and [illegible]. Cup of tea in N. room. Worked Times cross word. Mr Barker came to dinner and helped A. W. Carter. I read & wrote for a time and went to bed early. Heard G. call and came down about

Sunday, November 3

[24th Sunday after Trinity]

Rainy day. Slept well and up late feeling better. Early morning found cold had gone down into chest. Sat about, I studied in Freud's Behavior. Read paper. New nurse won't do anything to please C. but expects him to adapt herself to hospital routine. Kept fire going in C.'s room + N. room. Worked on + word puzzle. Talked to C. about Wilkie and American election. I studied Freud Behavior from time to time all day. After lunch C. said that she could not stand the nurse who was cross whenever she was asked to do anything. A + I worked all afternoon sorting trunks. I got tired and my throat seemed worse after tea. May not get up tomorrow so C. asked me to dismiss Nurse which I did before dinner very pleasantly. Long talk w. Rudolf Henderson who is at Stirling. To bed immediately after dinner and did not wind [illegible] till 10 o'c.

Bright windy day. No rain last night or before

Monday, November 4

Nannie went to [illegible] for permanent. [illegible] and C. asked Nurse to stay till [illegible] instead of 11.30 A.M. as I had arranged. Nurse turned nasty and C. said "well go then go whenever you like" & then Nurse said C. was so [illegible]; I heard a part of this late. I blame Nannie for leaving but of course she is utterly petted. I stayed in bed and dozed off morning. Nurse left immediately after lunch & A. drove her & Dr. Came at Fittleworth. I dressed and sat by fire in C's room and we both slept. woke at 4 o'c wet with perspiration and went to bed again. Pinkie came back. I worked on Times + wind [illegible] bed. Went on [illegible] + words. Bath. Dinner. Read paper. Nannie brought back. [illegible] looks like winning. Nap 9-10. A. telephoned to Mr. S[illegible] who A.M. & he did not come back

Tuesday, November 5

Got through [illegible] but with congestion in bronchial tubes and a general heavy feeling. Having [illegible] [illegible] all day. Dozed all morning. Got up for lunch and found I was not so well as I thought. Lunch with A. Puki and Nannie. Got a note from C. and then got Charlie to put away plates and [illegible] in hall and brought both black chairs up to ~~[illegible]~~ spare room, so that hall is now free of kitchen stuff but of course still has Nannie's bed and screen. Back to bed and slept till tea time. After tea tried again to do [illegible] without success, and then A. to bring over Mansfield Park & an Oliver Twist to get sherry and look for officers coming to dinner. They seemed to have a good time and I heard talking and laughing till after 12. Fell asleep

Bright morning

Wednesday, November 6

Woke to glorious news on [illegible], C— Rummelt in! Down to see C., both speechless w. emotion. She says nothing broke her w. Rummelt [illegible] well with Willie. Worked all ~~day~~ morning on work out from office. Got big envelopes back by afternoon post. Down stairs to hear the 10c news w. C. Nothing matters now that Rummelt in. Lunch in bed and then rested sleeping heavily till tea time. A. fetched Viola in car to tea w. C. Welsh Fusiliers + Barker + Roberts left [illegible] to go 7 A. — S. Tea in bed. Read Mansfield Park and finished first volume before going to sleep. Butt dying [illegible] and had dinner on a tray in C.'s room. Mar talked of Rummelts villains; up to bed + heard bombs [illegible] at 3 am. Down to C. again; [illegible] about

+ hers mind. Dont [illegible] Emmot's [illegible]

on a whimper she kissed his mother tell

[illegible] go of

Lovely Autumn Day

Thursday, November 7

Awake in early morning. So
Slept late. Breakfast 9.30
Then dozed till 11.30. Up and
walked about place. Machine
taken down Mucklecarpe hedge
by massage and all trenching
all wrong for Cypress hedge
appallingly choked in corner
barn and garage where my
Chairs and objects from N.Y.
are dumped. Talk C. who
has been lying in contented
thraldom that Romeo
is in. Talk Christina in kitchen
who seems content. After
lunch stopped trench digging and
set men to cutting [illegible]
next to hedge. Studied plan
with Peter, Sand planning position
of new hedge. Got cold and
went to bed & slept. Tried to
sit but could not. Back. Read.
Tea & wrote Banks w. A.

Another sunny day.

Friday, November 8

Breakfast 9.30. Read Mansfield Park in bed for a little while and then downstairs and went on reading for a bit in C's room. Telephoned to Slocock about cypress hedge and to Dr Venables asking him to call later today. A. & I worked with cord and measure planning line of hedge, hampered by broken nets [illegible] Charley insisting on leaving. Luncheon of shepherds pie and baked apple which good Christina seems to give us for most meals. Very little sugar & no cream or eggs obtainable. After lunch got Charley & Newell to stop raking leaves and remove birch wood left from dead Macrocarpa hedge. To bed read Mansfield Park and slept. Up for tea and to see Doctor V. who came about 5.20. Having just he was cross about [illegible] but we were very nice to him and gave him some petrol and he seemed very friendly. I finished M. Park. After dinner [illegible]

Saturday, November 9

Up 8.45 Breakfast downstairs 9.30 Raw dark day turning to rain. Made out cheques for Scott & Humphrey Sat wi. C. and made up fires in her room and north room. Sorted a few books. Looked at papers. Out in coat & galoshes Paid Humphrey & Charley and walked on lines for hedge & got Charley interested. Began walking a little and I felt a bit chilled when I got in. Girls spent morning at Chatton. Suet pudding for lunch and quiet diet egg but had no appetite for tea or dinner. Made out cheques for C. and then went in and w. cheques & mine when she had gone to sleep. I spent rest of afternoon sorting books and tidying up leather bound acts. Sat w. C. after dinner. She is wonderfully brave and patient. Worked on books till bed

Sunday, November 10

Lovely sunny morning turning to grey and rain after lunch.

[25th Sunday after Trinity.]

Breakfast down stairs 9.30 Rather rated from A. for the carelessness and slackness of her Carretta work. G. felt rather low. Dressed up in galoshes etc and out-[illegible] at them in stable and studio and then settled down to working out line of hedge with stakes and string. Talk Charlie who seems to approve. Mrs Metcalf had her sister over & I gave them some apples. Great air activity - gun fire and streamers of white against blue sky. Down to Black Horse for whiskey re. Don. Met Mrs Mulligan & her children. She has just had a new carriage. Mrs

Monday, November 11

ARMISTICE DAY.]

Up 7 o'C. Red sunrise. Cold and clear. Goodbye to C. who had good night and no more pain in leg. Got 3 mos. since [illegible] [illegible] 7.1 up to London 9.10 Talk in train [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] call and catch in [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] 1.15 C. Bank. Bought [illegible] for & etc. [illegible]. Dictating [illegible] D.O3 [illegible] water to Mrs O. for repairs. Lunch Sandwiches and Guinness. Finally got Mr Scott away from [illegible] and Clifford & and planned advertisements signed letters. Consulted with Tobacconist's son about Canadian chocolate. 3.45 train fr. Victoria but held up at 3 Bridges & [illegible] on plat-form in wind & rain and only caught 5.4 fr. London B. Got home cold. Much better C. except - no wonder. Dinner [illegible] an [illegible]. [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] in bed. Wake & finish

Tuesday, November 12

Up early wild wind & rain.
Brees alter fix my bath. Talked
to him. Worked in spare room
w. electric fire. Long and
tiring talk Miss Cook about
adv. in Sunday Times. W. Allen
re D. & A. about 31 St P.G. Girls
are upset because 'women of
Amberley are jealous of their
ability to work and making
trouble as ever. [illegible] with Allen.
w. Stevens about them.
Tel Cook about electric work
Talk C. Mrs Scarland had
jugged rabbit for luncheon.
Tel Lady Cynthia to thank
her for Bebe's frame. She says
Mr Bigland [illegible] staying with
them w. Cheques. 1 w.
re Myers, w. fill C's & say
[illegible]. Girls at
Littlehampton. Tea N. Rom
Sat wi. C. Girls back for
Canteen. At Dinner Lady Cynthia
called up about Mrs B. [illegible] also
& wired Trumans [illegible]. Sat w. C.
worked on Times & read.

Wednesday, November 13

Cold dark morning. Don't see how I am going to get started again. Drove to Hendon. Christian called for me 7.15. Gas up in Hendon way. Cable of sympathy fr. M. E. Law. Sat in [illegible] - [illegible] - painted - cupboard. W. cheques. Tel. office, tel Lady Cynthia, wf. to tel Mrs Lindsay. Cleaning & Bank.

After lunch, moved chairs & brought up E. A. F.'s Chippendale chairs wi. G's new damask seats & put 4 old chairs into stable wi. Dan following. Talk Humphrey about his beautiful wall which is nearing completion. I had talked to Charley in room wi. pair to cupboard and this afternoon I talked to him and Peter Newell in situ about new cypress hedge. Watched them pulling out an old apple tree. Brought in clocks & ornaments & fed 9. George in G's room. To bed & slept. Up for tea. Put away books wi. A. Lathes bound in cupboards. After dinner sat wi. G. Listened to news of naval victories.

Thursday, November 14

Bright morning. Up 7.15
breakfast alone! Fixed
up C's fire. Hung tub -
back in [illegible]. Put out glass
back in [illegible] clock on chest of drawers
in N. passage. Called up [illegible] S.H.T.
[illegible] Told Mrs D. B. [illegible]
[illegible] on Diaghileu. Felt
too ill to work and not ill
enough to stay in bed. Wandered
about. Finally took D on for
walk on [illegible] and got back
late for luncheon. [illegible] much
exercised because "[illegible]
[illegible]" jealous of Thais
[illegible] and making trouble
Advised him to see Mr Goldsmith
and get damages on this [illegible].
[illegible] of the old afternoon.
worked w. little N[illegible] & Chas
on lines for hedge. The rested
up late for tea. Tried to adapt
[illegible] electric stove. Gave it up
[illegible] with Nannie on green baize
[illegible] & [illegible] clapping
Settled down to read [illegible]
what happened [illegible]. Appleby
[illegible] [illegible] things on [illegible] N. Snow
[illegible] [illegible] listened to Eden [illegible]

Friday, November 15

Zooming of bombers [illegible] heavy
all night & up 6.45. Saw Nott
about levelling ground for hedge.
and Charley about labour to drive
as stretcher in an emergency for C.
Also fetched Chap. G. still asleep when
I left. Walked to station. Kept warm w.
rugs & scarf in train. Felt quite well
office 11.5 Dictated Miss C. &
Miss D.B. Took S.A.T. Talk
Clifford who likes Dugdale
[illegible]. Lunch. Price. Miss C.
is doing admirably well. Miss
S.A.T. has bad cold and looks
like hell. Tried to get grapes at Shearn
too expensive and then got some later at
Victoria same price. To see Martin
about shirts & found him bombed
out. St James & Piccadilly very badly bombed.
Train left 5.4 all right but long
stops. Betty Mathias at Amersham
station in M.T.C. uniform. Walked
home in starry dark trying to [illegible]
G. [illegible] at [illegible]. After dinner
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. G. [illegible] letter

[illegible] m other

Saturday, November 16

Tormented again and [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]. Breakfast 9.30. Out-

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] working on W.C.

window. Explained work to [illegible]

and showed Vicar what we are

doing in his lane. He approved and

said we could share height of

[illegible]. Came in and worked tidying

up books. Dr Venables called.

Pleased with C's progress. He

recommended Mr [illegible] [illegible]

for [illegible] [illegible]. After lunch

worked all afternoon [illegible] and

tidying up books. Calculated in

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and I

put it again. Tel. fr. [illegible]

4. W. fr. [illegible] Evelyn & Mayor [illegible]

[illegible] expecting [illegible] at fr. [illegible]

[illegible] to [illegible] fr. Amherst [illegible].

But Evelyn [illegible] [illegible] the

[illegible] of [illegible] and [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. To

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Amherst [illegible]

Great triumph for the character

and [illegible] [illegible]. After dinner.

[illegible] W. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

and admission of great danger in [illegible]

Sunday, November 17

[26th Sunday after Trinity.

Up late. Breakfast 10 o'C. Tied up more bulbs and Alfredo and Pietro helped me carry them to box room off garage. Evelyn came to see C. She has been having trouble with her teeth. I had written her a note thanking her for giving A. authorization for Canteen Off. W.V.S. A. took some books for soldiers to Perth. Mrs Fleming called to see C. Then Nurse Walker arrived and was greeted warmly by all. After lunch worked on books and then went out to measure hedge line for cypresses. Worked there till rain began. The weather is [illegible] till this time. A. to [illegible] Major Graham is to arrive at the [illegible]. Worked on books till dinner and got N. [illegible] clear. Finished books after dinner. W. Overmire for C.

Monday, November 18

Cloudy morning wi. prospect of rain.
2 loud bombs woke me up at 1.50 c
Heard talk before I went down & found
J. & Nannie talking to G. in dark.
Heard later bombs Storrington way
Nearly slept again. Sudden and
distant explosions. Up 7.08. To see
C. [illegible] phas to get lines of projected
wall at 1 rt. angle wi. cypher hedge
& [illegible] to C. hate to leave her. Glad
Nannie & father will be a comfort.
Walk station, [illegible] meadows
flooded and all [illegible]. 9.10.6
Read Mr D.B.'s copy for Diamonds
Drama [illegible]. 6 Canadian
[illegible] got in as Doctor. Very
[illegible] but surprised all [illegible]
~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] 40. Office 11.40
After getting queen [illegible] & F.
[illegible] at [illegible]. Dictating
to C. & Mr D.B. Letter to [illegible]
[illegible]. Out & got [illegible] for
luncheon. Signed letters; S.A.F.
[illegible] all day. To Victoria in
terrible rain that flooded station [illegible]
[illegible]. Took C. grapes & [illegible]
[illegible]. Walked fr. station
[illegible]. Dinner wi. Nannie. [illegible]
[illegible]. Cleared chest [illegible] bed.

Tuesday, November 19

Up 7 o'c dressed for London hoping that Mr Turner would come early enough for me to go up after. Tel. Dr Venables. Not coming till 11.30 so dressed in country clothes. Tel. Cook - out. worked in studio making place for books. Tel. London S.A.T. all right. Worked settling books & furniture in studio and stable. Dr. Venables called with Mr Turner who seemed really elated at B's condition and progress. A-1 worked in stable getting my clothes out of box & photographs etc. After Alex on duty went walk on [illegible] V. [illegible] also was pleased. Moved furniture in stable & barn and carried all Mantel Pieces to studio, also [illegible] etc for garage. Out to Littlehampton & back [illegible] to tea. [illegible] going under stairs. Before tea I had a talk with Slocock about copper etc. Talk B. after dinner about plants & shrubs.

Wednesday, November 20

Woke up several times fr. 1.30
on. Thought it was 7 o'clock. Got up
[illegible] and [illegible] in [illegible] morning
[illegible] [illegible] orders and
I thought it was [illegible] our [illegible].
Apples in bed as always, at 7.10.
Went down for breakfast 8.15. Got
to station in torrential rain, floods
[illegible] [illegible]. Left car at station
G. did not have a good night.
[illegible]. Mrs D. Bond at [illegible]. I got to
office 11.20. Nurse called from
Marianne [illegible] yesterday.
W. Dukes called fr. B[illegible]
about his [illegible] Stage.
Dictated Mrs C. Mrs D. B. Lunch
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] & [illegible] was
Mrs D. B. & her husband called. He
[illegible] a tall [illegible]
[illegible] Signed letters. Left at 4
[illegible]: set of Bronte [illegible] & [illegible]
[illegible] Eye [illegible] for G. Met A. [illegible]
and took 5.4 home. Slept in train
[illegible] [illegible] at Amherst station
Robert [illegible] he was [illegible]
[illegible] in car. [illegible] had [illegible]
at station. G. had [illegible]
with [illegible] fr. Cook. [illegible]
for dinner. Read [illegible] & D. [illegible]

Thursday, November 21

Loud explosion 10 o'c. said to be
bomb the bomber dropped by a r
aider as it dived to escape from
a Blenheim fighter in pitch night.
Rainy morning. A. took me to station
W. 'Matter' - in [illegible] in train.
Reached Victoria 11 o'c. Sirens
and all clears most of morn
which turned bright after rain
morning. Dictated Mil. D.B.
Talk Edn, S.A.T. Lunch Cam
Mariel Marston and Sir Hugh
Walpole with whom I had a
long and pleasant conversation.
Tried to get grapes salmon but
too expensive. Back to offic.
Drew up advt. for Obstacles
Ran up again at 4 o'c. Bu
Bond St., left glass, [illegible]
to be repaired. Got Christmas
Cards Jackson's. Couldn't get
in to V. cross bus so took the
I shared by Strangle. Slept in
train. Walked to station in
rain. G. feel better after eating a cho

[illegible]

Friday, November 22

C. had good night. Met Joy &
Gibbins at Station going [illegible]
[illegible]. W. Co. [illegible]
[illegible]. Bought grapes & rolls
office 11.30. Cable fr. Mr Beach
[illegible] telephone re marks of Lucie's
Detained Mrs D. B. Call [illegible]
[illegible]. Deacon - Allen about [illegible]
Lunch office sandwiches. Cake
back. Out to buy [illegible]
[illegible]. Meta & I to get stamps
[illegible] moved from Seats [illegible]
Checked Mr Quick's royalty
statements. Raised the weekly pay
of Mr Mead & Mr Dave Bigham
4/- per week. Mr D. B. thanked me
gratefully & no doubt Mr Mead will.
To Victoria. 5.4 made up at 4.40
Train went very slowly on account
of air raid. Sirens sounded at [illegible]
and all lights out. Slept most of
the way. Mattresses at station.
Walked home in bright star-light
with search lights & flashes in
the sky. Home eight o'clock -
did not dress for dinner. At [illegible]
at [illegible]. Dine w. Nanni.
A. had restless day. Thought Puki
and A. lacking in feeling.

Saturday, November 23

Up early. Took back case
to [illegible] and Mr Maton's
broken mirror to Price Hdw.
Saw him & Willy in engine room
which they are clearing out.
Paid C. Humphrey & told him to use
longest and best stones in last
stretch of his wall. Saw Newell
about [illegible] [illegible] case.
Burkes went home by 89.10 for
Sunday. A M worked in blue
unpacking mattress which we
moved to room in annex near
women's hall. Also we moved
chairs to platform near new garage
Bring lunch then and then went
back to work until tea time.
G. sat up again this morning and
I stopped work three times to go
in to see her. Chair not at all
comfortable but she felt less
frightened. Her legs [illegible] from
being twisted after lying flat in
bed so long. S left the chair
by G's fire after tea, then mended
arm of chair that she sits in.
A. at [illegible] – Nannie out. Children
Dinner alone. Finished mending chair

Sunday, November 24

27th Sunday after Trinity.

Up early. Started moving things from desk displaced by radiogram. Stacked [illegible] books in studio. Dressed and went to church. After church A and I took drawers [illegible] the other desk out to studio and took [illegible] books to proper [illegible]. Wound clocks. After lunch planned planting letters with Charley and [illegible] Jones [illegible] [illegible] Mrs. Lawrence about planting [illegible] beeches. They started by objecting but came round. Charley helped me carry desk to studio. So much heavy work hard on my heart so stopped and climbed Down - first time since C's accident - to tea. Vicar called with her Bible Reading booklets. G. & A approve [illegible] [illegible] for [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Nap in chair in C's room. Bath + dressed. Dined alone. A. + Naomi at church. Read weeklies.

Put in beak
for Watchgha

Monday, November 25

G. LD better chap [illegible]

Woke six & dozed till 6.50
Spoke to Humphreys about keeping the ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] from petrol & rain. Spoke to Charles about taking down peat [illegible] for rhododendrons. C. woke before I left – not a good night. Walk to station. T9. Sutton [illegible] John Mattinson and C. to Duncan. Asked him about his [illegible] thinking he was [illegible] John Duncan [illegible] asked a Master. John agrees with me about Negrin, Newell, Henderson and Paterson. Negrin should be treated as a guest, Henderson stopped or muzzled and Paterson organised for work. London 11.0. To Scott, Tailor & ordered blue knickerbocker suit. Office dictated Mr D.B. & Mr C.W. Lunch office, sandwiches cake & ale. T4. Blackett about keys & [illegible]. Sign letters. Bus to V. Hotel & 5.4 [illegible] having [illegible] at Dorking and arrived [illegible] [illegible]; had talked to [illegible] at V. Hotel who said they paid Turner [illegible] than he had [illegible] for specified [illegible] but had [illegible] entitled to charge London fees.

Charles [illegible] [illegible]

C. [illegible]

Tuesday, November 26

ups 9.10 after waking before
[illegible]. Only trouble after going up
[illegible] every day is [illegible]
[illegible] Goodbye to G.,
who had a good night. Walked to
station. Slept in train. Old man
studying Almanac with great interest.
Office 11.15. Asked Mr D.B. to
[illegible]. Dictated Mrs
[illegible]. Tel. Beaumont [illegible]
[illegible], Dictated Mr
D.B. [illegible] at 1.40
[illegible] 2 o'c. Out to get
[illegible] luncheon with [illegible]
[illegible]. Checked draft agreement
letter. Nattali & Maurice [illegible]
[illegible] Draghetto [illegible]
[illegible]. Signed letters. Bus to V.
[illegible] 40 walk past [illegible]
then buses too full. 5.4 train &
slept practically to Horsley. Very
tired & rather cold. Walked home
& arrived 7.15. Bath & dinner early
[illegible] feeling better. She read me an [illegible]
[illegible] on [illegible]. Drank Conway's health
for his birthday. Paid bills: W. [illegible]
[illegible], & Capt. [illegible]. Tin arrived

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Wednesday, November 27

Slept till after 6 & dozed the rest of the way. [illegible] at 6.40 & up at 7 & down [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Mr [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] London & [illegible] it [illegible] quite quiet in [illegible]. After breakfast to [illegible] who had a good night. Looked at [illegible] [illegible]. Very [illegible] [illegible] & [illegible] [illegible]. Walked [illegible] in [illegible] [illegible] but did not get [illegible] [illegible] & [illegible] to Epsom. In at 10.50 [illegible] [illegible] in Whitehall. Mr [illegible] [illegible]. Cut his leg in blackout. [illegible] from Mr [illegible] for C. Talk Mr [illegible] about [illegible] [illegible] be [illegible] to [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Mr [illegible] to [illegible] on [illegible]. Talk Mr F. about his [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] coming to [illegible]. Worked on [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Tom [illegible] wants to offer [illegible] [illegible]. Mrs C. & Mrs D.B. [illegible] for S.A.T. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Mrs D.B. [illegible] ill. [illegible] slept to Sutton. Then not light enough to read. [illegible] at the [illegible] [illegible]. [illegible] C. Mr B [illegible] [illegible]

Thursday, November 28

C. had a good night - I thought - I
was waked by a bump at 6.40
but Mrs. S. says it must have
been a dream. Walked to
office in bright cold weather. 9.10
[illegible]. Foods [illegible] N. M.
[illegible] supplement to [illegible]
and I am [illegible]. Office
1.10 Mrs. Mead in and [illegible] all
night. Dictated Mrs. D. B. + a
letter to Mrs. C. who is making no
acceptable progress w. royalty statements
Call from [illegible] will come on
Monday to [illegible]. Call fr.
[illegible] w. cloth for my suit
[illegible] than sample that I let it
pass. [illegible] Carrick [illegible]
[illegible] Jones. [illegible] Stales ap
originals gone to Canada be [illegible]
[illegible]. J. B. T. left early w.
[illegible] giving me [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] open
his drawers, but Miss D. R. + I took
the top of desk and I put my hand
in the back and got out [illegible] book
[illegible] grape. Victoria. Stuff in train
[illegible]. Dinner w. C. [illegible]

Dinner in dining room with Nannie. Sat w. G. - read papers - N. [illegible]

Friday, November 29

Christian called me 7.15. Up 7.45 To see Cypress which look very well & [illegible] newly planted also Althea & [illegible] beds. Charley seems really interested. A. & J. got out dining table for [illegible]. Things in state! Nancy & [illegible] got out double mattress wh. we took to annex where I took pillows and blankets. [illegible] velvet seat to piano stool to Price after [illegible] webbing mended. Talk Hammond about Electric work. After lunch. A. & P. took Nannie & me, Dan & Tigger to vet in [illegible]. They went on to Cinema in [illegible]. Took animals to see vet. He took out cyst fr. Dan's neck. Says Tigger's neck operation won't leave [illegible]. Dan very pleased and proud of his bandage. Got [illegible] up. [illegible] Castle & back by train. Met Scott in [illegible]. He [illegible] about [illegible] in [illegible] papers. T[illegible]

Saturday, November 30

Hard frost last night & fields white.

ST. ANDREW'S DAY.] Paid C. Humphrey. He says stones in church yard will be very useful. To see the Browns about gathering up the stump & plenty buckets. Saw [illegible] & [illegible] about stopping oil in pipes. Harry carried pictures up to attic. Sat wi. G. who was in easy chair by fire. Anne spent morning ready in N. room. H. & D. at the Weyells doing some errand. Down to see engine room that Allen [illegible] have been cleaning out. After luncheon. Finished picture & then worked till the evening back to studio. A. & Anne helped a bit. Anne says that Ambrose [illegible] gets his picture of Alfreda which he considers though good as a picture a bad portrait [illegible] strongly her best or most characteristic side. Down to village wi. D. Cashed cheques. Burgess [illegible] and gave [illegible] biscuits. Talk to Mrs Goldsmith. She says she is getting fond of Colin Warren but he is very deaf. Francis is ill wi. asthma in military hospital. Dinner on tray wi. G. Read [illegible]

Take two of many tonics on going [illegible] night at [illegible]

Sunday December 1

Advent Sunday

Rough throat curiously continues. Very cold frosty morning. Breakfast 9.20. Girls to Carter. Built fire in N. room. Arranged for Olive to help Christine in morning room. Would always get table for meals. Tel fr. Esther Moore what girl to come to her to meet Daphne Brock. My ado. in [illegible] well, 3 at wi. G. up in chair. Girls back fr. Carter. A. & I [illegible] Mr Casparis [illegible] for [illegible]. Called up station [illegible] train [illegible]. Changed [illegible]. John Mathias [illegible] way [illegible]. Telephone that Moore is at station. A. & John to meet her in the car. Very pleasant luncheon. G. with the Moores & Mathiases [illegible] her. Mathiases left & Moore stayed [illegible] G. [illegible] again and Moore sat wi. me in N. room. Girls to walk and then to tea wi. [illegible]. Came back in time to take Moore to station for 6.10. Started books after tea wi. Moore. To [illegible] to get her a novel to read in train. [illegible] up [illegible]. Rested in chair [illegible]. Dinner wi. G. Talked

Twice [illegible] G. N. [illegible] Mathias

Monday, December 2

Kept awake last night by cold and itching throat. Woke 4.30 & no more sleep. Think it may be asthma. Think I must harden myself by going back to no [illegible] 8 / up 7 0°C. Poor C. simply did not sleep at all! She doesn't know why. Wait very [illegible] to station as I was late. Up to Croydon wi. C. Mathers as far as Sutton. Bought a cold cure lozenges & pastilles in St. M. Lane. First groups at [illegible]. Office 11.40 Drafts wi. letter. Telephoned to T. Upper rat-catcher etc. Lunch Guinness & sandwiches. Call fr. Hardcastle about Bensies ill. Call fr. [illegible] [illegible], [illegible]. Says no [illegible] [illegible] in Portsmouth tho' cold [illegible] raids. Have found German bombs full of stones showing sabotage. Tried on blue suit. 5.4 slept in train. C. depressed no nap tho' C. M. Dinner wi. her. Dom went to get for change of bandage. Tel. Mrs. Mathers.

Tuesday, December 3

Slept well asthma better. E. had good night. Dark & drizzly morning. Saw E.'s wheel chair at Station worked well all the way to Victoria on [illegible] on circulars. Office 11.10. Two warnings but heard no bombs. Tel. Mr Banks & Mme. Rubenstein. Copy for New Statesman adv. Brandy asked for [illegible] useful copy. Talked Mr Frederick about his wife & boy coming to [illegible] our budget alt. Luncheon office. Call Mme Ida Rubenstein. Very sympathetic and free to speak though old and depressed. Went to Dorie on an address for the French in Africa. Back to office signed letters, wrote my [illegible] & [illegible] back. 5.4. Slept but bothered with tickly throat. Walk fr. [illegible] Station. E. in wheel chair in N. [illegible] Suggesting changes. Bath & dressed dinner [illegible]. E. [illegible] at [illegible] & Nurse & Nannie in dining room. Read letters enclosed from G.'s mother for my sister Catharine, Colorado's General [illegible], Dr [illegible] [illegible]

Wednesday, December 4.

Did not smoke last night &
my breathing bothered me less in
night. Did not get up till Christine
called me at 7.10. C. had a
[illegible] night. Damp morning. Walked
station. Looked in at Nalands
and saw old sycamore stump
grubbed up. Now clearly will stay
[illegible] 2 Darby [illegible] [illegible] to make
[illegible] [illegible]. Up to London wi
[illegible] [illegible] & Mrs Tony Mathias
pleasant. But did only a little
work on Bennie's Mss. Office
1.10. Dictated Mrs C. [illegible]
[illegible] at [illegible] [illegible] / an [illegible]
S.A.T. has just [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] to W. H. Smith. Worked
on Bennie's Mss. Lunch Garrick
Lindsay Drummond. Bought red
[illegible] in Monmouth St. Signed
letters. Bus to Victoria. Met Mrs
Mathias in Victoria St. Slept in
train. Met Mrs Mathias at
station. Walked home in light
rain. Bath. Dinner in C's room.
Fixed red cord on [illegible]. Mrs Scotland
asked if girls could have early
dinner. It seems that Christine
has struck. Talk C. re. change

Talk old Wm Hurst at Amberley station

Thursday, December 5

Throat always a little better. C. had good night. Calm but clear. Walked to station. Worked on Bennie's ill. Office 10.45. Tel. Mme Rubinstein & Moura. Tel. Duncan — Allen — Co. Also rang; Mabel at W. Heath. Dictated Miss C. & Miss D. B. SAT is pleased with sales. Out bought grapes grapefruit & bananas for C. Lunch office sandwiches, mince pie & bananas. W. John McNulty sending him his £50. advance of Bought C. nail clippers. Hair cut. Barber has been ill with abscess in his stomach. 5.5 to Amberley. Slept in train. Then started Bennie's in dim usual black out round Horsham and had to sit in dark. Saw Tony Mathews at station. Walked home in rain. Bath & dressing. Dinner jacket & suit back from cleaners. Dinner w. C. Talk A wants to spend a night in London — park w. Ben. Bed early tter fr. Aileen – real conscious expire

Friday, December 6

To bed about 11. Slept well
until called by Christine at 8
out to see Humphrey running [illegible]
walk, and to see trees – all
look well. To Naillard's & talk
to Lawrence. Old sycamore stump
up & place bricked over & bricks
plastered & stained. She is pleased.
to see C. from time to time. She
slept well but has great pain
when she moves. Probably from
pain in muscles. Worked at Chalk
marble fireplace in panelling – both
pleased. A. & I built fire in studio
and unpacked things in blank. Hunted
for lost glass table top – found mattress
[illegible] took to [illegible]. After lunch
took vases & ornaments fr. cabinet
in hall out to studio. Found box
of old Mrs Jennings's [redacted]. Sympathetic
and absolutely truthful personal of respect –
lost – more heart & feeling than mind.
Tea w. girls. M. and D. taught G. –
Thought of Denny. Slept listening to
[illegible]. Dorothea's inspiration only to
[illegible]. Read letter fr. M. – too early
[illegible]

Saturday, December 17

Up at 8. Breakfast 9.
To Cottage w. screen for shelter
Spoke to Mr Tipple – broke any
children now finishing their
food better. Built up fire in N.
room for C, who came in in
wheel chair. Settled w. C &
Charlie where to plant [illegible]
hibiscus & Forsythia. Settled things
in studio & started [illegible] to
high stepping chair, also garage. C
P. & I took dining room table into
yard & started to assemble parts
Paid Humphreys & settled about
[illegible] of [illegible]. Gave Charlie my
old [illegible] gown. Called down to
him re. top of garage & told him
about those along wall. After
lunch. Got mirror Mr. Galbraith
and took A to Price. After [illegible]
Mr Mateer's dressing table mirror broken
by wind. Finished assembling dining
room table. Dorothy & Ellen weeded &
planting. I took Arden coal con-
tainer to [illegible]. A. helped me move
table to studio. Tea. Heart [illegible]
tired. Nap in C's room. [illegible]

[illegible] raids over England last night.

Sunday, December 8

awake early morning

2nd Sunday in Advent.

lept after I called. Up 9.
reakfast 10 o'c. Mattie
ir in H. room. Changed plug
n movable column lamp to
. room. Took things to studio
nd left door open to air —
ly sunny day. Talk Charley
bout walls and grading. Talk
ttie about removing apple tree
e. Pacci painting stove and shower
in hall as well as father-in-law
ies I took down because of
ns cracking. After an ex-
amining boxes in garage
me articles and disposed of
me in studio cellar & stable
t Pintie helped me move
[illegible] crockery. Got garage
ite well cleared by tea time.
ff. Dan [illegible] walk [illegible]
ing. Then tea. Cile read [illegible]
ght. Tabor & I then sang hymns etc.
[illegible] I worked by fire. [illegible] p.c. [illegible]
ent [illegible] to [illegible]

Monday, December 9

Did not sleep after 6. Breakfast 8.20: Hurried goodbye to C. Walk station. Talk J. Mathias who got out at Pulborough. Went to [illegible] last week by road and saw very little damage all the way. Says London got it last night! Letter to M. W. [illegible] all the way to London — only ½ finished. Reached office 11.25. Sat in dusty [illegible] [illegible] orders. Dictated Mr D's & Mrs E.: Cars for Bacchus — out for [illegible]. Bought bigger [illegible] [illegible]. Lunch sandwiches. Dinner [illegible] & [illegible], [illegible] & [illegible]. Signed letters. Worked on [illegible] [illegible]. Left office late and found increased [illegible] at Victoria. Rumour that Waterloo + Charing Cross Bridge closed. Stood up to Sutton when everyone got out & I had a nap. Went on [illegible]. Letter to M. W. [illegible]. Walked home [illegible] big fire of Empire House — a bit too lively. They had a [illegible] bomb about 8 p.m. apparently near [illegible]. Dinner with C. Listened to wireless. Bath in [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible]

Tuesday, December 10

Woke 5.30. Ate my apples 6.45

10°C. [illegible] sensational successes

against Italians in Libya 1000 prisoners

commanding officer killed. Tried

Christmas gifts to put [illegible] at

head 3 tables except E.A., or [illegible]

[illegible] station; Talk Robert & Mrs. J.

[illegible]. Trying seem to be dis-

organised. Brighter things coming

this way & we must [illegible] and

[illegible] [illegible]. M. [illegible] all the

way [illegible] as well [illegible].

5.8 Bus to Bond St asked Savory

& Moore about Lady Baskerville

Bath Essence for B. They did not

know. Office 11.40. S.A.T. packed

parcels. Dictated Mrs C. Mr S.D.

[illegible]. [illegible] sandwiches.

Worked on Xmas circular. [illegible]

[illegible] from [illegible] Francis. [illegible] quite

shaggy. Gave her 10/-. Tel. for

Mr. [illegible] has a cold

can't have M [illegible]

luncheon. Tel Mrs Clifford asked M.

Tony instead. Tried [illegible]

[illegible] suit. Same [illegible]. Dark [illegible]

[illegible] tea [illegible] before. Got [illegible]

Wednesday, December 11

ACCESSION DAY.

Bright autumn
7 o'c. Cannons [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in
[illegible]. Nothing [illegible] [illegible] Lebrun,
Put on [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] in [illegible]
accident; offered in their lavatory.
A. slept in hall as Nannie away. Wakes
and [illegible]. Walk station late. Offered
lift but refused. Worked in Blenheim
[illegible] all the way to Victoria. Bus to
Stevens bought roses for Ida [illegible]
and grapes and grape fruit for C. No
fire at office. [illegible] [illegible] says
the [illegible] wood to light it. Tel. Holborn
Borough Council [illegible] [illegible] have wood
from bombed houses. Later S.A.T. let
fire go [illegible] of old cases. Dictated
[illegible] C. and Mrs D.B. Lunch / [illegible] w.
Moore. Talk [illegible] thinks Fascism
may fail, stricken by Duff Cooper
[illegible] at Italy in last war.
Back to Oxford St. w. Moore
who took a 73 bus to Dorchester.
3 [illegible] letters. Made appointment for
A. to go to Dentist tomorrow.
Met Nannie at Victoria; she left
Tuppence w. Vet. Slept to Sutton. The
[illegible] [illegible] to Horsham [illegible]
all lights out and out in dark.
Walk home w. Nannie. Search light
and flashes of guns. Bath; Dinner [illegible]
[illegible] and [illegible]. Nurse had [illegible]
[illegible] she is going home. [illegible] talk
about [illegible] [illegible].

Went [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

Nurse went home to get over her cold,

Thursday, December 12

up 7.10 called by Charlie. Mrs S[illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] are breaking in to [illegible]
[illegible]. Tiffin's [illegible] a police
station [illegible] A. who left
[illegible] up to London for [illegible]
Xmas shopping. Cold, wore heavy coat.
Started on Binnie's index. [illegible]
10°C. To table and tried on my
[illegible] suit. [illegible]. Office
[illegible]. Met Mrs [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]. Dictated Min
. & Mrs D.B. [illegible] office.
Talk S.A.T. & signed [illegible]
[illegible] Mr Frederick. Arranged to take
his wife & letter. Day at-
[illegible]. W. Mrs [illegible] about
Frederick's wife. Signed letters. To
[illegible] - [illegible] - [illegible] and no [illegible]
[illegible] nor at Harborows. Got
[illegible] at Selfridge's [illegible] get in
and bought [illegible] [illegible] for C.
[illegible] Victoria. Got [illegible] at
[illegible]. Met A. Tried to get [illegible]
[illegible] none to be had. Forgot to get
papers, but A. had heard of death
of Lord Lothian. Great loss. Slept
in train. Worked on Binnie index
[illegible] left [illegible] [illegible], [illegible]
[illegible], but she was met by tall
young man. [illegible] left to Dukes [illegible]
on [illegible]. Home early. Bath & dinner

Victory continues in Libya & Albania
[illegible] men taken
[illegible] prisoners

Friday, December 13

G's birthday! Cold grey day, up late. Breakfast 10 o.c. Helped Nannie get G. into her chair & into N. Room. Sat with her & talked of Josephine's marriage to George Coleman! Out to see Charley at work with ~~Ritters~~ Newell sawing wood. To see C. Humphrey. Has fine lot of big pieces of blue rock from Dutch yard. Christine has influenza but up for luncheon. Built fire in dining room first [illegible] in some [illegible] for [illegible]. Opened oysters. G. came into dining room for lunch, oysters, chicken, the cream birthday cake & candles, and creme de menthe. G. to bed after. I got Newell to help me move the bulk of plated silver into cupboard under stairs. Spent rest of afternoon unpacking & re-packing china etc. Tea & presents for G. Cyclamen fr. Nannie that Jessie gets this afternoon at Easthampton. Pink box of fudge. A. Browning letters. Guide [illegible] G. read Jane Eyre. I packed cut glass candelabra. Dinner w. G. w. [illegible]. Read letter in Times.

Saturday, December 14

[H.M. THE KING'S BIRTHDAY.]

S slept worse than [illegible] enough
[illegible] Cold & [illegible] hot
[illegible] morning & C. [illegible]
[illegible] there was no frost with
[illegible] with this wall
[illegible] the Crocus. Parkie left
this A.M. for stage w. [illegible]
[illegible] at [illegible]. C has [illegible]
cold and is not getting up.
Talk Charly about the house
[illegible] which [illegible] Price [illegible]
about Shelves in Kitchen cup-
board, I [illegible] very busy
[illegible] for [illegible] clothes
[illegible] to [illegible] in P.M. -
[illegible] it rained cats & dogs all
[illegible] of day. After lunch
[illegible] Paine [illegible] for
[illegible]. Cupboard [illegible]
[illegible] up [illegible] there for days
[illegible]. Tea & worked a lot
[illegible] index. Then sat
[illegible]. C. read [illegible] book on
[illegible] together. A disappointing
[illegible] after all [illegible]. What
an after dinner with [illegible]
[illegible] many of [illegible]

Sunday, December 15

3rd Sunday in Advent.

Slept heavily & long. Up after 9 & breakfast after 10. Papers carry suggestion of quiet night in London. C's cold very heavy so she did not think of getting up. Maple syrup used up so I tried syrup made of sugar & water as substitute. Wore my complete blue suit. Seems very good & C. likes it. Took package of candlesticks to studio. Lovely sunny day. Good many [illegible] back in [illegible]. Told Mr [illegible] about Mrs Miller & Freddie etc. Michael got out cot bed for him and took it up to A's old room [illegible] Charly. Talk Charlie about garden, pruning etc. Took table to Price Allen to be mended. Spoke to Mr [illegible] about moving old stump. Talk Major [illegible] as well as admires my blue suit. After lunch wound clocks. Talk Mrs Sandland about [illegible] in morning and letting some else get breakfast. Unpacked electric lamps. Combed Don on front steps in [illegible]. Took Don for walk, lovely [illegible] sunset.

Uncle Jack [illegible]

[illegible]

Monday, December 16

Woke about six. Got my
[illegible] at 6:45 and decided to
[illegible] for 8.37 train. Porridge
[illegible] [illegible] honey syrup. [illegible]
[illegible] walked to station in [illegible]
light. Light still lit in [illegible]
[illegible]. Arrived at Streatham [illegible]
[illegible] that I was in wrong train
[illegible] it seemed to go as it used
[illegible] at L. Bridge 10.30
to tailors and left waistcoat
to be altered. Office 11.20.
Dictated Min 8. / Min D.13. [illegible]
Min C. to get fountain pen for
Mr Scarland. Talk Baker
about coming to Amberley
won't leave his sister. Talk
[illegible] decided to give Baker 10/
[illegible]. Lunch. chicken sandwich 1/
cheese & stout. Signed letters.
[illegible] Min Chapping. Home 6.41.
Christopher & Lady [illegible] met at station
walked home. Called up Castle [illegible]
[illegible] but just [illegible] for
station. Had come by earlier train
[illegible] for him. Saw an interesting
& attractive young [illegible] office.
We had dinner together & talked [illegible]

Tuesday, December 17

Walked to station. Tel. Nannie to send Christopher [illegible] my Clothes for airing except Covert-Tweed. Worked all the way on Benn's index. Office 11.20. Dictated Miss C. V., & Miss N. B. Tel. Pilcher and made appointment about Flatter's calculations. Out & bought grapes bananas as biscuits & guinness. Lunch at desk. Chicken patés made by Mrs Zealand. G's birthday cake. Cheese and Crimmel. Signed letters. Read fiction story by Mrs Rogers. Tied up front wi. Dobson's help. To Victoria and 5.4 as usual. Slept w. Sutton and Doyle to Dorking worked on Benn's index. Left dispatch case at Amberley station Matthews wi. Xmas parcels. Walked home in moonlit dark. Children in the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] King been [illegible]! Imagine [illegible] and spare G. and plan for getting up & left her discouraged! Dinner wi. Christopher

Wednesday, December 18

Misty moisty morning
[illegible] A. [illegible] I got up
and asked her to lunch
after Mrs [illegible].
Walked to station. Worked
on [illegible] all the way up
[illegible]. Office 11.30.
[illegible] C. Miss D.B.'s
[illegible] : Nurses of Clay
[illegible] for minutes. Clay
[illegible] Clay is a [illegible]
& [illegible] W. Pilcher
appoint- Flatties autumn.
lunch. Garrick. Roderick
Jones. Don't allow to be any
[illegible] put at Court;
[illegible]. Back to office again
[illegible]. To the [illegible] & tried a
waistcoat. much too small [illegible]
[illegible] to Victoria. Got A. copy of
Horizon. 5.4 train. Slept to
Sutton. Bunny under [illegible]
Walked home with [illegible] for C. [illegible]
give as Xmas presents. Left case
at station. Saw Mrs Miller, [illegible]
[illegible] and jelly. [illegible]

Thursday, December 19

Did not smoke after dinner but coughed in night and felt ill particularly this morning. Told Charley to prune head. [illegible] D.C. Walk station & found Nanni already there. Train started as I was getting in. Read New Statesman. Idea that Chamberlain group want to prevent Italian defeat and to preserve Fascism. Worked Renoir [illegible]. Office 11.10. Dictated Mr D.B. Called "Illustrated" [illegible] [illegible] Flutter carton [illegible] [illegible] to Grand. Shopland for filigree [illegible] lace, Tailor & got waistcoat [illegible] all right and. Tobacco for present. Dictated Mr D.B. [illegible] [illegible] & [illegible] [illegible] to Trunk for filigree chain and brought [illegible] a Pinchbeck at Franklin's in Duke St. Bought stockings & ties Bond St. [illegible] [illegible] Alice [illegible]. Back to office. Dictated letter to Mr [illegible] Clark. [illegible]. [illegible] Mr Cole came with his wife, to say goodbye before going to India. 5.40 to Amberley. Worked Renoir

Very [illegible]

Friday, December 20

More [illegible] 11 o'c

Slept well & long & up late - breakfast with A. & Christopher at 10 o'c. Took C. out to see work nearly finished. Tried to find Charley but always seems to be in the village getting me Bass. Told A. I thought he drank. Took old lamps out to studio. Finally Charley appeared & I went over orchard & garden with him. Studied catalog books w. A. Went over the luncheon. C. got up & sat in North room before luncheon but did not get up again. She wore stockings & felt warmer. A. & I & Christopher went to fetch Pinkie & went over to [illegible] Dragon to see Mr [illegible] about [illegible] of [illegible] but no one there. Home for tea with Mr Vesey [illegible] & Ruvenis. Worked on books. Dressed & gave A. her necklace of pearls [illegible]. Looked well in her [illegible] dress. Gilbert came [illegible] cocktails. Esther brought C. & left him. [illegible] A. [illegible] dinner after [illegible]

Tel. Shurston about Xmas tree. 9o

Saturday, December 21

A. successfully drove the car
to a fancy dress dance at Chelsea
+ they got back at 2.30.
I got up late + had breakfast
with young people at 10.15
Built fire in North room
but still cold when C.
was wheeled in. To ars + pa
C. Humphrey finishing wall.
Mrs Velzbult called wi. young
daughter. Carl came back
from Ca... + cleaned up
North room. C. upset by con
fusion + felt at a disadvantage
soon much better + then had
very much depressed. Took
lunch + ... went to studio.
After lunch took Vuila back
to Studio. A. + P. brought up
book case for ... room, +
I spent whole afternoon filing in
my books. Cocktail before
dinner. Sat wi. C. after
dinner. Young people up N. room
started 'Wuthering' ...

Sunday, December 22

[4th Sunday in Advent.

Slept well up 9 o'c. Helped [illegible] to get up into [illegible] the Secret; Frank brooks out [illegible] studio; Nannie [illegible] gets [illegible] go out [illegible] Venitian [illegible] [illegible], called. Came back to [illegible] home. It's my idea [illegible] [illegible] himself [illegible] [illegible] neglecting C. Says [illegible] will [illegible] get [illegible] this week. Vicar brought his [illegible] wife to see C. but [illegible] was too tired and depressed [illegible] talked to her and she left a [illegible] bunch of violets. Made [illegible] studio. After lunch took [illegible] load of books to studio. At Christopher had 1 cup of [illegible] Ernest on radio. Feel [illegible] [illegible] C. Then [illegible] Marty [illegible] back [illegible] back + wanted [illegible] [illegible] on radio, but wanted as C. [illegible] asleep. It seemed so [illegible]

Monday, December 23

Heavy frost. dark + cold morning
up early. Talk Charley about
[illegible] on wheels for Humphry to
make as two bad weather [illegible]
Talk C. who walks [illegible] &
get a [illegible] [illegible] from Mrs
Hunt as Chess [illegible] [illegible] disappeared.
Walk to station to get my [illegible]
up, overtaken by car with Parker
Sh. + I up to London. I worked at
Press [illegible]. Very cold [illegible]
House on Pimlico [illegible] of Victoria
Down. Pretty many [illegible] [illegible]
7.15 sat night. Stopped for books
for H. at Chatto's. Mrs D.B. and
Ditchfield Mrs C. [illegible] [illegible]
Bar. Bought paint nuts etc. Shown
[illegible] [illegible] from Mr Fraser. Many [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Hackney. Out to
get crutch sticks for G. Taxi to
31 W.R.G. stopping for Mrs Hunt's
[illegible] maids. Shelter [illegible]. [illegible]
by [illegible]. Electric light at 31.
Tried to find Evans in garden. C.
Back [illegible]. Scramble to pack [illegible]
[illegible] taxi [illegible]. Great [illegible] [illegible]
of Victoria. No tea. Stood up. [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Talk

Tuesday, December 24

Breakfast 9 o'c with Mrs Taylor and took her to craft bound for train to [illegible] home. Talk C. Humphrey + Charles, platform over ten-hours [illegible] finished. Christopher went [illegible] shooting wi. the Aunts brother Commander Dugdale + Christopher Emmet. A to Chichester. A sat in North room dressed as she was day of accident. Talk C., Mrs Scarland, Mr Tobbin, Mr Mills about having Mr F. + Mr M. get children's breakfast in college and relieving Mrs S. All enthusiastic and Mrs S. said she would get her washing machine and do the laundry. Tel. office + had Mrs Mills speak to her husband. A + I started work on Parham Xmas tree so large we had to cut down by $\frac{1}{3}$. After lunch continued wi. C. + A. They went to Storrington + I went on alone. Got tree in after tea and C. + A decorated it before and after dinner. C. did it beautifully with [illegible] in Chinoiserie. Read [illegible]. Talk C. [illegible] [illegible]

Wednesday, December 25

[QUARTER DAY [FIRE INSURANCE DUE. [Christmas Day.

Breakfast-10 o'C. Made C's fire before breakfast. 5 tables cleaning N. Room. To Church — we all stayed to communion — A. Chris. & P. Talked to C's Aunt before Church. Coal gas & cold in church. Took Dick Pepper after Ch. in British ship of Col. To Black Horse wt. Dorothy & got port & sherry for servants and 3 little bottles of whiskey as present. Christmas dinner etc. C dressed and sat at head of table. Turkey, cranberry sauce, chestnuts & plum pudding. After dinner finished cleaning N. room. After tea lit Christmas tree for 30. Name tied up presents. Vicky & Tatie to all! but two really beautiful Mothers & children, Mr Tiffin's Scotts, A1 & hats, Sergeant & his wife, Servants & Presents for all. All very pleasant. When guests had gone, we sat in drawing room until all candles had died out, thinking of past Christmases. Supper & Champagne 7.30 Servants holiday party.

Tel. Dick Pepper & asked him to luncheon tomorrow, Sat. w. C. at 1.30 home

Amberley

Thursday, December 26

[BANK HOLIDAY.

Up 8.30 Breakfast 9.30 w: [illegible] [illegible] Alfred's [illegible] [illegible] by having twice tried to [illegible] us into catching [illegible] at the Matthews'. A. called up Matthews & found the [illegible] had gone [illegible] so we decided that Ch. & C. had no cause to feel unwelcome. A. to the Castle. I took down M.-in-law & me £1. each to Newell. Fixed [illegible] plug on electric kettle for [illegible] for Mrs. S. Tried to find suitable books for Naval [illegible] Don't seem to have any. Dick Pepper to lunch [illegible]. Is very [illegible] friendly. After lunch we left two naval officers to talk together. C. [illegible]. Tried after Christmas did did not come to lunch. Spoke to Charley who seemed pleased with his present and all. Worked on [illegible] pastel on big stone vase for Compton. A. & C. to the Matthews'. I had tea with C. & worked on vase. Dinner early - A. & C. to dance at Black [illegible] for Home Guard. Painted head [illegible] on vase. Listened to wireless & talk Q.

Friday, December 27

Bad asthma last night. Think
I should leave off smoking. Got
up 8.45. Breakfast 9.30 w.
A. & Christopher. He left soon
after 10 and A. [illegible] him to
station. Gave C. Humphrey 3.0.0
his wages & £1. for Xmas. Chris
& other men at work grading
garden. C. has transplanted
[illegible] [illegible]. Mr Holland has
[illegible] — have his [illegible] each
call for Dr Millington who X [illegible]
[illegible]. [illegible] and [illegible]
[illegible] china in garage. Dis-
couraging work — things so
[illegible] up. Lunch & then nurse
left. Wrote to Albert [illegible] birthday
with mother. Went on trying to
sort china and to find [illegible] to
be used. Tea w. B. Gilbert
Mac [illegible] tea w. A. Esther called
for him at 5.15. Sat w. C. & [illegible]
papers. Read long [illegible] letter to [illegible]

[illegible]

Saturday, December 28

Slept well & long no asthma
breakfast 10.15. & Made up fire
in N. room. Packed up a few
[illegible]. Showed C. the plug
about wiring [illegible] for [illegible]
took iron table to Carolina st
to straighten it so that mosaic
will not break again. Called
Mrs Taylor's 10 [illegible] & found
she was an old friend of
Kimberly stories. Says her
husband shot in leg in last
war and is still an invalid,
up in chair in her room.
Built fire in studio and kept
it in after lunch. Orikei came
back from Washington early in
afternoon. I [illegible] did little plaster
but I kept my studio in and [illegible]
the A.M. when I moved mirror &
tipped over Horlick bottle. Rubbed
down lead [illegible] on stone [illegible]
in emery cloth & file. Tea [illegible]
[illegible]. Took economics. To Price
[illegible] & got putty & putting back
[illegible] [illegible] out [illegible]. [illegible]
[illegible] left putty [illegible]

[illegible]

Sunday, December 29

[1st Sunday after Christmas.

I obsessed [illegible] [illegible] that [illegible] was that I dreamed [illegible] it last night. Up 9.15. Breakfast 10 o'c. Mrs Clark back but still has bad cold. Told her about blankets on my bed. Unpacked more cases in garage & studio [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] children [illegible] etc. Found glasses for our dining room. Evelyn came to see C. Had a [illegible] w. A. because she always says she has no petrol allowance [illegible] [illegible] car, & I walk to & from station [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] petrol. A. + Pinkie & I + D. [illegible] to Dick Pepper cocktail party. Suggested Jessica for his daughter['s] name. Met Mrs Venables. Nice but not so [illegible] as C. thought. Home lunch. Spent afternoon unpacking more cases. Carved a [illegible] candle. Tea w. girls. Table in N. room [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] that I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] have room for [illegible] [illegible]

Monday, December 30

Woke 5.45 and did not get to sleep properly after. Pepper seeing Dick off, declined a lift and arrived there at station. Probably his leave is up. Tried to sleep in train. Walked via [illegible] index. Office 12.0c. Bad fire day. [illegible] last night. Business letters and cleared off [illegible] of others. Mrs S. [illegible] is [illegible] has [illegible] for [illegible] work and has seen [illegible] St. [illegible]. Lunch sandwiches and [illegible]. Signed letters. To [illegible] and bought grapes and grape fruit [illegible] last night [illegible] to have [illegible]. Bus to Victoria 5.40 [illegible] late. Slept in train. [illegible] account of [illegible] [illegible] Jim [illegible] a [illegible] and [illegible] Tanner a [illegible]. [illegible] today of S.A.T. great damage in Paternoster Row, Simpkins gone. [illegible] home. C. sitting up, but feeling depressed. Bath [illegible]. Dinner [illegible]. [illegible] Walter A. [illegible] can find [illegible] [illegible]. Listened to Sibelius on wireless.

C. [illegible] on [illegible] to

Tuesday, December 31

Wake 5.30. Sorry I told G. she was too attached to Nannie. Up 6.45. Too early for porridge [illegible] brought in hampers to pack [illegible]. Walk station in dark. Left message goodbye to G. wi. Mrs [illegible]. Muddled trains at Horsham & missed fast to L.B. Worked after Horsham — It was no dark before on [illegible] ride. Victoria at 11 o'c. To Nat. [illegible] Bank to change [illegible] Xmas cheque. To [illegible] Insurance Co. Said [illegible] we had [illegible] 1s. [illegible]. Got it [illegible] to Chichester for [illegible]. Office 12 o'c. [illegible] Miller. Dictated [illegible] Mr C. [illegible] dinner and sandwiches. Mr Sidney came up to [illegible] Alice [illegible]. Worked on [illegible] for [illegible]. To [illegible] for samples of [illegible] for coat [illegible]. To V. [illegible]. Slept [illegible] worked on [illegible].

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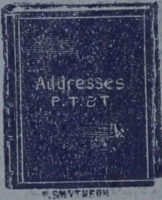

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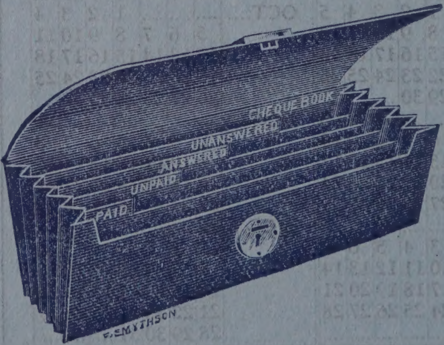

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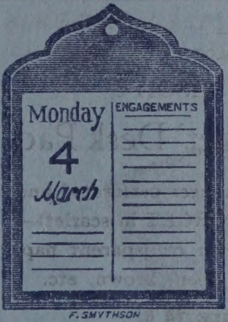

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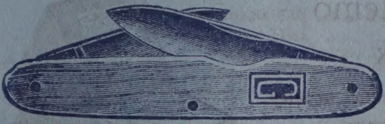

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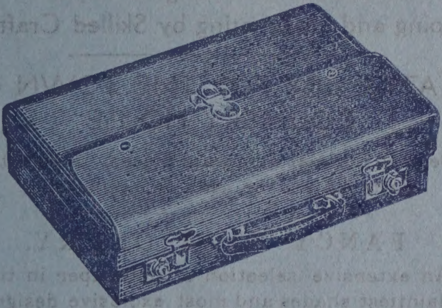

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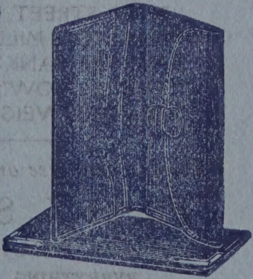

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